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Minutes

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Cherokee Baptist Ass'n.

The 44th Annual Meeting

of the

CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

met with

ROCK SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH

JACKSON COUNTY, N. C.

OCTOBER 1, 2, 3, 4, 1925.

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Minutes

of the

CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Brother Morgan Bradley, Moderator;
Bro. John Walkingstick, Cherokee Clerk and Treasurer;
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk;
Bro. David Blythe, Interpreter.

The 44th annual meeting of the Cherokee Baptist Association met with Rock Spring Baptist church, Jackson County, N. C., Oct. 1, 2, 3, 4, 1925.

THURSDAY, OCT. 1, 11 A. M.

In the absence of the moderator services were opened by Rev. Vandaily Bradley. Rev. J. N. Lee preached the introductory sermon from Jno. 14:1, 2, 3. Adjourned 12 M. until 2 P. M.

2 P. M.

After devotional, letters were called for and delegates enrolled as follows:

Macedonia—Henry Blythe, David Blythe, Sam Oosowih, Joe Crow, Chiltoskie Tramper, Jim Welch.

Rock Springs—Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Abel Kanought, Morgan Bradley, David Bird, Jarrett Blythe, Willie Welch.

Cherokee—Rev. J. N. Lee, Hugh N. Lambert, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

Big Cove—Loyd Feather.

Echota—Jno. Walkingstick, Jemsie Walsie.

Yellow Hill—Henry Lossie, Samson Owl, Jackson Long.

Boiling Spring—Mike Walkingstick.

Wrights Creek—By letter.

Piney Grove—Not represented.

Zion Hill—By letter.

Brother Morgan Bradley was elected moderator; Bro. Jno. Walkingstick, clerk and treasurer; Mrs. J. N. Lee, English clerk. The moderator appointed committee on arrangements, Jarrett Blythe, Abel Kanought.

Adjourned to meet Friday 10 A. M. No preaching at night. It rained.

FRIDAY, 10 A. M.

Brother Morgan Bradley led the devotional. Minutes of the previous day read and adopted. Dr. Creal of Bryson was welcomed.

Dr. Creal preached from Matt. 28:18, 19, 20. His sermon was strong and forceful.

Adjourned to meet at 1:30.

FRIDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional led by the moderator.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Sunday school: Henry Blythe, Jim Welch.

Temperance: Samson Owl, Henry Lossie.

Time and place: Hugh N. Lambert, Joe Crow, Willie Welch.

Deaths: Rev. J. N. Lee, Sam Oosowih.

Collection: David Bird, Chiltoskie Tramper, Jno. Walkingstick.

Preachers: Joe Crow, Sam Oosowih, David Blythe.

Union Meeting: Rev. Ute Jumper, Henry Lossie, Jarrett Blythe.

On the condition of Big Cove and Boiling Spring: Samson Owl, Jarrett Blythe, Rev. J. N. Lee.

The report on time and place read and adopted.

Adjourned to meet Saturday, 10 A. M.

No preaching at night. It rained.

SATURDAY, 10 A. M.

Devotional led by the moderator.

Minutes of the previous day read and adopted.

Our associational missionary made his report, read and adopted.

Rev. Ute Jumper preached from Mark 13:33.

Rev. Vandaily Bradely preached from Acts 10:9.

Adjourned to meet at 1:30.

SATURDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional led by the moderator.

The following reports were read and adopted.

Sunday schools.

Temperance.

Deaths.

Preachers.

Union meetings.

By action of the association fellowship was withdrawn from Revs. Geo. Hornbuckle and John D. Lossie as ministers of the Gospel according to the constitution of the association. Article twelve as printed in the Minutes of the Association.

Rev. Vandaily Bradley was re-elected as associational missionary for the ensuing year.

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After singing, "Best Be the Ties that Bind," the association adjourned to meet with Macedonia church Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1926.

7:30 P. M.

Rev. James Screamer preached followed by Rev. J. N. Lee.

SUNDAY, 10 A. M.

Sunday school mass meeting.

11 A. M. Rev. Ute Jumper preached in Cherokee. Rev. R. L. Randolph followed, preaching a very inspiring sermon from the visions of Ezekiel as recorded in Ezekiel 47:1-12.

Report of Collection

Minutes fund	$13.97
Foreign missions	6.59
	$20.56

David Bird,
Chiltoskie Tramper,
John Walkingstick.
Committee.

Report of W. M. S.

Rock Spring, members 8, collection	$ 9.75
Macedonia, members 7, collection	10
Cherokee, members 19, collection	10.00
	$19.85

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2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
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4. Appoint committee on arrangements.
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9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for treasurer's report.
12. Hear report of regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place of next meeting.
14. Elect treasurer.
15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.
18. Adjourn.

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Names of Ordained Ministers

J. N. Lee, Cherokee, N. C.
W. B. Ratliff, Cherokee, N. C.
Ute Jumper, Whittier, N. C.
S. Jim Screamer, Cherokee, N. C.
Vandaily Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.

We your committee on ministers of the Gospel in good standing in church.

JOE CROW,
SAM OOSOWIH,
DAVID BLYTHE,
Committee.

I beg to submit my report for this associational year 1924, 1925.

Sermons preached, 171
Baptisms, 16
Sunday schools organized, 4
Received $17.48

Respectfully submitted,

VANDAILY BRADLEY,

Report of the Union Meetings

Meetings were held at Echota, Rock Spring and Macedonia. At Big Cove there was a revival held instead of the Union meeting.

Collections were as follows:

Echota	$2.85
Rock Springs	5.00
Big Cove	2.70
	$10.55

This amount was given to our associational missionary.

Report on our departed dead during the last associational year.

Brethren—June Davis, John Tollollie, John Connely.

Sisters—Emma Armerchain, Mary Ute, Annie Shell, Annie Bradley, Winnie Powell, Annie Liza Welch, Tistie Ross, Dagan Long, Synthia Walkingstick.

We sorrow not as those who have no hope, I Thess. 4:13. We hope to meet them in heaven.

J. N. LEE,
SAM OOSOWIH,
Committe.

Report on Temperance

Oct. 3rd, 1925.

We your committee on Temperance beg to submit our report.

We read in God's Word, I Cor. 9:25 as follows: "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things."

God's people should be a temperate people, in fact, it is best for all people to be temperate; it helps much to conserve our strength, and preserve for us a good name.

We read in God's word "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches," Proverbs 22:1. If we are temperate in all things it will help us much to succeed in any calling or profession in life. In Ephesians 5:18 we find these words, "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit." May we be a sober, temperate people; reading and teaching God's word; being full of the spirit of God; living righteous lives; trying ever to lead souls to Jesus and salvation through Him; trying always to advance His kingdom on earth.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY LOSSIE,
SAMPSON OWL,
Committee.

Rock Springs Baptist Church
Oct. 3rd, 1925.

We the Sunday school committee find that Christ taught in the synagogues in accordance to scriptures: Luke 4:16; Mark

6:2; Matt. 13:54.

The teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ should begin in the devout christian's home.

Many of our christian leaders were so taught, who are now strong and are standing for God; and righteousness are those who have been taught in Sunday schools; therefore we beg that every church in the bounds of this association have a Sunday school kept going every Sunday possible in the year, beginning with the little babes in their mothers' arms and going till our good Lord calls us home.

If we have many that is good; but if we have only two or three let us go to the House of God as our dear Savior did; read and teach His Word on the Sabbath days.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BLYTHE,
JAMES WELCH,
Sunday school Committee.

Rock Springs
Oct. 2nd, 1925.

To the Cherokee Baptist Association:

The next Union meeting will meet with the Cherokee Mission church on Friday, Nov. 27, at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. N. Lee will preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. UTE JUMPER,
BRO. HENRY LOSSIE,
BRO. JARRETT BLYTHE,
Committee.

Report on Time and Place

We your committee on time and place beg to submit our report as follows:

After considering all the churches we have all agreed to hold the next association with Macedonia Baptist church, Jackson County, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1926, at 11 o'clock A. M., Rev. J. N. Lee to preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH N. LAMBERT,
JOE CROW,
WILL WELCH,
Committee.

FINANCIAL

	Pastor's salary	Help for Meetings and Sup.	Building and repairs	Minutes	S. S. Exp.	Local poor	Other Objects	Undesignated	Foreign missions	Home missions	State missions	Orphanage	Hospitals	Total
Echota	$ 1.07	$20.00		$2.00										$23.07
Big Cove	7.45	3.00			5.00									15.45
Macedonia	5.50	48.20	131.00	2.00	6.05	.10	2.80							195.65
Rock Springs	10.00	17.49		2.43	5.00	9.75								44.67
Cherokee		47.07	225.00	5.00	50.23	10.00	40.55	6.00	1.00	48.16	9.69	7.00	3.00	452.61
Boiling Springs														
Yellow Hill	1.27	30.00		.75										32.02
Wrights Creek	.50													.50
Zion Hill	20.40			.40										20.80

Churches	Pastors	Postoffice	Clerk	Postoffice	Time of Meeting	Baptized	By letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Total
Echota	J. Screamer	Cherokee	J. Wallace	Whittier	3rd	1					4	26
Big Cove	Ute Jumper	Whittier	J. Wolfe	Swayney	1st	2		3			4	26
Macedonia	Ute Jumper	Whittier	Joe Bradley	Whittier	2nd	10	9		1		3	54
Rock Springs	W. B. Ratliff	Cherokee	Jarrett Blythe	Cherokee	1st	28		3		1		99
Cherokee	J. N. Lee	Cherokee	H. N. Lambert	Cherokee	1-4	15	3		2			44
Boiling Springs	Ute Jumper	Whittier	M. Walkingstick	Bushnell	1st	2					1	7
Yellow Hill	J. Screamer	Cherokee	Jackson Long	Cherokee	2nd			2	2			11
Piney Grove												
Wrights Creek	V. D. Bradley	Cherokee			2nd	6						20
Zion Hill	Ute Jumper	Whittier	Pet. Consene	Whittier	4th	2		1			1	5

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Macedonia, Big Cove, Rock Springs, Cherokee and Zion Hill reported Sunday schools.

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The 47th Annual Meeting

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ECHOTA CHURCH

Swain County, N. C.

October 4, 5, 6, 7, 1928

MINUTES

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CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Rev. J. N. Lee led the devotional reading Mat. 6:19, after which letters were called for and delegates enrolled. In the absence of the moderator, Rev. Ute Jumper, Rev. Andrew Otter was Officers of the Association:

Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator
Brother John Walkingstick, Clerk and Treasurer
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk
Rev. J. N. Lee, Historian
Brother Owen Walkingstick, Interpreter.

The 47th Annual Session of the Cherokee Baptist Association met with Echota Baptist church, Swain County, N. C., Oct. 4, 5, 6, 7, 1928.

Thursday, Oct. 4, 11 A. M.

The association opened with singing that grand old hymn, "How Firm A Foundation," led by Rev. Andrew Otter. Prayer by Deacon John Walkingstick.

Rev. Andrew Otter preached the introductory sermon. Text, Mathew 15:13.

Afternoon Session

appointed temporary moderator.

The association adjourned to meet Friday, 10:00 A. M.

Friday Morning Session

The opening services was conducted by Rev. Andrew Otter. The following churches were represented, and delegates enrolled.

Big Cove: Brother Loyd Feather, Brother Mose Welch.

Cherokee: Rev. J. N. Lee, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

Echota: Brother John Walkingstick, Brother Jimpsie.

Wallis: Brother Owen Walkingstick, Brother Willie French.

Macedona: Brother Joe Crow, Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Brother Josiah Long.

Yellow Hill: Brother Jackson Long, Brother Henry Lossiah.

Zion Hill: Brother Jonah Brown, Brother Testesca.

After reading of the Minutes the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Rev. Andrew Otter, moderator; Brother John Walkingstick, clerk and treasurer.

Mrs. J. N. Lee, English clerk; Rev. J. N. Lee, historian; Brother Owen Walkingstick, interpreter.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—Echota delegates.

Temperance—Rev. J. N. Lee, Brother Henry Lossie.

Deaths—Brother Loyd Feather, Rev. James Scream, Brother Testesca.

Ordained preachers—Bro. Josie Crow, Brother Henry Lossie.

Historian—Rev. J. N. Lee.

Sunday School—Brother Owen Walkingstick, Bro. Saunook Littlejohn.

Time and Place—Rev. Ute Jumper, Brother Henry Lossie, Brother John Walkingstick.

12:00—Adjourned to meet at 1:30.

Friday Afternoon Session

1:30—Rev. Andrew Otter led the devotional.

Report on Temperance—Read and adopted.

Report on Sunday School—Read and adopted.

Report on Time and Place—Read and adopted.

Adjourned to meet 8 o'clock.

8 P. M.—Rev. Ute Jumper preached. Text: Luke 12:33; 34.

Saturday Morning Session

The moderator conducted the devotional, scripture lesson, John 3:1,16. Minutes read and odopted.

Preaching by Rev. Andrew Otter. Text 2 Cor. 5:3.

12—Dismissed for dinner.

Saturday Afternoon Session

The scripture lesson was read by Rev. Andrew Otter.

Report on deaths—Read and adopted.

Report of Historian read and adopted.

Report on Union Meetings read and adopted.

Report on Preachers read and adopted.

Report on Finances read and adopted.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock.

At this hour a resolution of thanks was extended the Echota church which was adopted.

8 o'clock Rev. Andrew Otter preached. Text 2nd Peter 2:20.

Sunday Morning Session

Rev. Andrew Otter preached. Rev. J. N. Lee followed.

12:00—Dismissed for dinner.

Afternoon Session

Rev. Sigleyned preached. After a song and a hearty handshake the association adjourned to meet with Macedona church, Jackson county October 3, 1929.

REV. ANDREW OTTER, Moderator

JOHN WALKINGSTICK, Clerk

Names of ordained ministers:
Rev. J. N. Lee, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ute Jumper, Robbinsville, N. C.
Rev. S. Jim Scream, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. W. B. Ratliff, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Geo. Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEE,

HENRY LOSSIE,

JOE CROW

TEMPERANCE

We your committee on Temperance beg to make our report: We need but to inform ourselves from the Bible and other sources of knowledge to learn what destruction, and waste, and sorrow. intemperance has wrought in the world; therefore, every one that professes to be a christian should be temperate themselves and teach others to be temperate. Indeed we read in God's Word "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things" 1 Cor. 9:25.

"Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine, Prov. 23:29, 30." Let us who are christians be temperate in all things, walking uprightly and honestly in the world; letting our lights shine for God, winning precious souls to Jesus and salavation; and bringing glory to God, our Creator!

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,

HENRY LOSSIE,

Committee

We your committee on Sunday School beg to make our report. As Luke 18:10 read "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for such is the kingdom of heaven." Mathew 28:20 says teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo! I am with you alway even unto the end of the world. We find that there has been Sunday School in most of our churches in past year for which we are very thankful. Let us press forward that his kingdom may come and his will be done.

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN WALKINGSTICK,

SAUNOOK LITTLEJOHN

Report of Historian

The good Lord has given us a very good associational year in some respects.

We have had Sunday Schools in several of the churches, and revival meetings with an ingathering of a good many members as some of the reports will show.

While something has been accomplished it is true; yet let us pray and plan and work for larger things in our Lord's kingdom and in our association the coming year, the needs are great; but the faithful labours are few: let us pray the Lord for more labors in the field. During this associational year our Lord has seen fit to call some of our workers home, among them our beloved Bro. Rev. Morgan Bradley who was ordained to the work of the gospel ministry on the 1st Sunday in April; and the Lord called him home September 5th. Though his ministry was short eternity will reveal what he accomplished. "Blssed are the dead who die in the Lord. They rest from their labors and their work do follow them." Rev. 14:13.

J. N. LEE

Report of the Union meeting

The following meetings were held: Rock Spring, Cherokee, Yellow Hill, Macedona and Big Cove. Each meeting was well attended with interest.

Collection balance	$ .86
Rock Spring	2.84
Cherokee	3.71
Yellow Hill	1.64
Macedona	.64
Big Cove	1.00
Total	$10.69
Programs	7.74
Bal.	$ 2.95
Rock Springs	$1.50
Cherokee	1.74
Yellow Hill	1.50
Macedona	1.50
Big Cove	1.50

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. N. LEE, Sec.-Treas.

Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand	$ 5.72
From churches	7.55
Union Meeting	2.95

Public collection	4.09
Total	$20.29

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WALKINGSTICK, Treas.

Report on Time and Place

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Respectfully submitted,

JOE CROW,

HENRY LOSSIAH.

Resolution of thanks

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Time of meeting	Baptisms	Restorations	Letter and statemen	Deaths	Present membership
Big Cove	James Screamer, Cherokee, N. C.	John Wolfe, Swayney, N. C.	1st	....	....	....	1	10
Boiling Springs				....	....	....	....	1
Cherokee	J. N. Lee, Cherokee, S. C.	Hugh N. Lambert, Cherokee, N. C.	E'ry S.	23	....	12	....	106
Echota	Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.	Willie French, Cherokee, N. C.	3rd	1	....	....	....	36
Macedona	William Anthony, Whittier, N. C.	James Welch, Cherokee, N. C.	3rd	....	3	....	4	52
Rock Spring	William Anthony, Whittier, N. C.	Amanta Tramper, Cherokee, N. C.	1st	....	....	....	....	96
Wrights Creek			2nd	....	....	....	....	....
Yellow Hill	Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.	Nannie Screamer, Cherokee, N. C.	2nd	....	....	....	....	16
Zion Hill	Ute Jumper, Robbinsville, N. C.	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville, N. C.		....	....	....	....	4

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's salary	Printing Minutes	S. S. Expenses	Incidentals	Other objects	Missions and orphanage	Building and repairs	Sick	Total
Big Cove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boiling Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cherokee		3.00	30.00	29.00	15.00	65.35	259.47	23.97	465.13
Echota	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedona	6.00	.75	1.75	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rock Spring	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wrights Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yellow Hill	12.00	1.00	3.00	5.00	.....	.....	9.00	10.00	41.80
Zion Hill	24.00	.40	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.40

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT. AND POSTOFFICE	SECY. AND POSTOFFICE
Cherokee	H. N. Lambert, Cherokee	Carl Lambert, Cherokee.
Macedona	David Blythe, Whittier	Henry Blythe, Whittier
Rock Spring	Jarrett Blythe, Whittier	Lizzie Tollie, Whittier
Yellow Hill	Kamie Wahnetah, Cherokee	Samuel Wahnetah, Cherokee
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Cherokee Baptist Association

The 48th Annual Meeting

of the

Cherokee Baptist Association

met with

Macedonia Church

Jackson County, N. C.

October 3, 4, 5, 6, 1929

MINUTES

Of The

CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officers of the Association:
Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator
Brother John Walkingstick, Clerk and Treasurer
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk
Rev. J. N. Lee, Historian
Brother Willie French, Interpreter

The 48th annual session of the Cherokee Baptist Association met with Macedonia Baptist Church, Jackson County, N. C., Oct 3, 4, 5, 6, 1929.

The association was opened by singing "Amazing Grace", led by Brother Joe Crow. Rev. Vandaily Bradley led the prayer.

Rev. Andrew Otter preached the introductory sermon. Text, Luke 14:17. After the singing of a hymn and the usual handshake of fellowship the association adjourned. Rev. J. N. Lee led the closing prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional was led by the moderator, Rev. Andrew Otter.

The following churches were represented and delegates enrolled

Big Cove—Rev. James Screamer

Cherokee—Rev. J. N. Lee, Mrs. J. N. Lee

Echota—Rev. Andrew Otter, Brother John Walkingstick, Bro Jimsie Wallis, Bro. Willie French.

Macedonia—Brother David Blyth, Bro. Joe Crow, Bro. Saunool Littlejohn, Bro. James Welch and Bro. Sam Oosiah.

Rock Springs—Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Bro. Jeff Arneach, Sister Mrs. Morgan Bradley, Bro. Jarrett Blyth.

Yellow Hill—Brother Henry Lossiah, Sister Mrs. Mamie Screamer.

Zion Hill—Rev. Ute Jumper.

Boiling Springs—Not represented.

Wrights Creek—Not represented.

After the enrollment of the delegates and reading the letters the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator
Brother John Walkingstick, Clerk and Treasurer
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk
Rev. J. N. Lee, Historian
Brother Willie French, Interpreter

The moderator was authorized to appoint the following committees:

Arrangements—Brother Joe Crow, Bro. Sam Oosiah

Temperance—Rev. J. N. Lee, Bro. James Welch

Deaths—Rev. James Screamer, Bro. Henry Lossiah, Sister Morgan Bradley.

The further appointment of committees was postponed till Friday morning.

7:30, preaching by Rev. Andrew Otter, Luke 16:20.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The morning session was conducted by the moderator.

Minutes read and adopted.

Appointment of committees resumed ordained preachers Bro. Willie French, Bro. Jarrett Blyth, Bro. Jeff Arneach.

Sunday Schools, Rev. J. N. Lee, Rev. Ute Jumper.

Time and Place, Bro. Saunook Littlejohn, Bro. Henry Lossiah, Bro. John Walkingstick.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. Ute Jumper, Mr. Jumper used as his text: John 2:5.

The association adjourned to meet one P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional led by Rev. Andrew Otter. Scripture lesson, Rev. 6:15.

The letter from Dr. Maddry, general sceretary of the Bapti t State Convention of North Carolina was read by Rev. J. N. Lee. After some discussion the moderator was empowered to appoint the following committee to act in this matter: Rev. J. N. Lee, Bro. Willie French, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

Reports were called for.

Report on Sunday School read and adopted.

Report on Deaths read and adopted.

Adojurned the businesss session for one hour.

Rev. J. N. Lee preached. Text, Matt. 22:27-40.

Adjourned to meet at 7:30.

No preaching at night on account of rain.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

11:00 o'clock—devotional led by Rev. Andrew Otter.

Scripture lesson, Matthew, 25:34.

Minutes read and adopted. Adjourned for preaching. Rev. J. N. Lee preached. Text 1st Cor. 3:9.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional led by the moderator.

Report on preachers read and adopted.

Report on Temperance read and adopted.

Report on Union Meetings read and adopted.

Report on Time and Place read and dadopted.

Historian's report was read and adopted.

The petition to become a member of the Baptist State Convention was read and after some strong talks the report was adopted and the following delegates were appointed by a vote of the body. Rev. J. N. Lee, Rev. Andrew Otter, Rev. Ute Jumper, Bro. Willie French, Bro. Henry Owl, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

The finance report read and adpted; the association adjourned to meet Sunday Sunday. At 11 o'clck Rev. Ute Jumper preached, after which the delegates, as their custom is, sang and gave their hands to each other pledging to pray for one another during the year. The spirit of this session was good and sweet fellowship prevailed, the next session is to meet with the Cherokee Baptist church Oct. 2, 1930, Rev. Andrew Otter to preach the introductory sermon.

Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator

Bro. John Walkingst'ck, Clerk

Report On Sunday Schools

In the Sunday Schools is one of our great systems of teaching the Bible, God's Book. Let us keep the Sunday school going in each church in the associatin each Sunday in the year. Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God, Luke 4:4. We find the words of God in his Book, the Bible, and by reading and studying the daily readings as arranged in our Sunday school lesson helps. We will find as directed in our Sunday school quarterlies a bible reading or lesson for each day of the week. If we keep up these daily Bible readings, we will be well informed on the Sunday school lessons each Sunday, and the helps connected give us wonderful opportunities in Bible study. The Sunday school is a great system of Bible study both for the young and the old. Praying Almighty God to help us, let us make the best of these wonderful opportunities to read and study God's wonderful Book.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,

UTE JUMPER,

Committee

Death Report

We find that fifteen of our brothers and sisters have passed away during the year: Rock Springs, four; Macedonia, three; Echota, five; Yellow Hill, three.

It is very sad indeed to think of our departed brothers and sis-

ters of the past year, but we have faith and hope, and by having these two gives us courage to serve our God and Master and prepare ourselves for the same journey. We don't understand some things but we should train ourselves to the knowledge that the Lord's way is best and to give Him the Glory, while yet it gives our fleshy bodies great pain. We have three sisters on our list that would be a good example for us all about being faithful. Sister Arneach, Sister Otter, and Sister Otter, each of these sisters was always a faithful worker for our Lord, also our Brother Deacon Long, who was a faithful worker until a very old man. We have hopes of meeting these and all the others mentioned in a better world.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Lossiah,

Mrs. Morgan Bradley,

Rev. James Screamer,

Committee.

Report on Temperance

We read in 1st Cor. 9:25, "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." Christians should be a temperate people. Jesus said ,"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven," Matt. 5:16.

We read again in Eph. 5:18, "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit," and we read again in God's Word, "If any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his," Rom. 8:9.

Let us who are christians be temperate, always exerting a christtian influence, and trying to win those that we come in contact with daily to Jesus and His righteousness, and through Him and His great salvation to live daily for God, letting our lights so shine before men that we may win many precious souls to Jesus and to eternal salavation through Him.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,

J. G. WELCH,

Committee.

Report of Historian

Our good Lord has blessed us in many ways this year though in His Providence some of our workers have been called to that rest prepared for the people of God. Among them was deacon Jackson Long and sister Arneach. Paul wrote "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain Phil. 1:21.

There have been additions to some of our churches by faith and baptism as the letters from the churches show. Let us pray and hope and work that there may be more the coming year. I am glad to say the interest in Sunday School work is growing in some of the churches. There is much to be done to build this work and make our Sunday Schools what they should be one of the things almost essential in maintaining a good Sunday School is to keep it going every Sunday in the year. Let us with the help of God make the history of our Sunday Schools much greater in the near future than it has been in the past.

Fraternally submitted,

J. N. LEE.

We your committee on ordained ministers within the bounds of the Cherokee Baptist Association do herewith submit the following:

Rev. J. N. Lee, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. James Screamer, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. W. B. Ratliff, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ute Jumper, Robbinsville, N. C.

Resectfully submitted,

W. L. FRENCH,
JARRETT BLYTH,
JEFF ARNEACH.

Report on Time and Place

We your committee on Time and Place recommend that we meet with Cherokee Baptist Church, Cherokee, N. C., Oct. 2, 3, 4, 5, 1930, Rev. Andrew Otter to preach the introductory sermon.

Resectfully submitted,

Saunook Littlejohn,
John Walkingstick.

Report of Union Meeting

There have been Union meetings held in the following churches. Cherokee, Rock Springs, Yellow Hill and Echota.

Collections	$7.58
Printing programs	4.50
Balance on hand	$3.08

Resectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. N. LEE, Secretary.

Financial Report of Association

Balance from last year	$ 5.21
Echota for Minutes	2.00
Yellow Hill Minutes	1.00
Macedonia Minutes	1.00
Cherokee Minutes	4.00
Rock Springs Minutes	.30
Zion Hill Minutes	.30
Public collection	2.55
Total	$16.36

John Walkingstick, Treasurer

Rules of Decorum

1. Eevery meeting of the association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the association but vote on none.

3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion made and seconded.

5. Every speaker shall arise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of such speaker before he proceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the association.

8. These rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the organization of the association.

Order of Business

1. Introductory sermon.
2 Read letters and enroll delegates.
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4. Appoint cmmittee on arrangements.
6. Call for correspondence from sister associations.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
8. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for treasurer's report.
12. Hear report of regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place of next meeting.
14. Elect treasurer.

15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Baptist Association.

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Article III. This association shall be comosed of delegates chosen by the churches, all ministers who are members of the churches in the bounds of the association, and pastors of the churches thereof shall be members of the association.

Article IV. The delegates from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, and also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary, incidental expenses of the church, and all benevolent purposes, during the year.

Article V. The officers of this association shall be moderator, clerk, treasurer, auditor, and historian, who shall be elected annually by the association.

Article VI. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body and to enforce an observance of the constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion, after others have spoken, or when called upon, and to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session and to superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes.

Article VIII. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all moneys and faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

Article IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her delegates appointed for that purpose, and if received the moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship

Article X. The association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges of his body except voting.

Article XI. The annual session of this body shall commence on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article XII. Will receive no ministers into this association but those who have a good moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Help for meetings and sup	Building and repairs	Minutes	S. S. Exp	Local poor	Other objects	Home missions	Orphanages	Total
Echota				2.00		5.00				7.00
Big Cove						5.00				5.00
Macedonia	16.00				15.00					31.00
Rock Springs	30.00			.30	5.00					35.30
Cherokee	..	39.36	88.73	4.00	36.70	47.60	27.00	58.00	3.60	240.39
Boiling Springs										
Yellow Hill	20.47			5.00	4.40	20.00	11.80			57.67
Wright's Creek										
Zion Hill	12.00			.30	5.00					17.30

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND P. O.	CLERK AND P. O.	Time of meeting	Baptisms	Restorations	Letter & statements	Deaths	Present members
Big Cove	James Screamer, Cherokee	John Wolfe, Swayney	1st					
Boiling Springs	No report	No report						
Cherokee	J. N. Lee, Cherokee	Hugh N. Lambert, Cherokee	E'ry	14		3		119
Echota	Andrew Otter, Whittier	Willie French, Cherokee	3				5	
Macedonia	William Anthony, Whittier	James Welch, Cherokee	3rd	1	4		3	52
Rock Springs	William Anthony, Whittier	Amanta Tramper, Cherokee	1st				4	60
Wrights Creek	No report	No report						
Yellow Hill	Andrew Otter, Whittier	Nannie Screamer, Cherokee	2nd	1			3	16
Zion Hill	Ute Jumper, Robbinsville	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	4th	6				

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT AND P. O.	SEC. AND P. O.
Cherokee	Hugh N. Lambert, Cherokee	Mrs. Carrie Sneed, Cherokee
Macedonia	Mrs. Wahnetah, Cherokee	Mrs. Nannie Screamer, Cherokee
Rock Springs	Henry Blyth, Whittier	
Yellow Hill	Jarrett Blyth, Cherokee	Mrs. Mary Bradley, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	

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MINUTES

of the

Cherokee Baptist Association

The 49th Annual Meeting

of the

Cherokee Baptist Association

met with

Cherokee Church

Swain County, N. C.

October 2, 3, 4, 5, 1930

MINUTES
Of The
CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officiers of the Association:
Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator
Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Cherokee Clerk
Rev. J. N. Lee, Historian
Rev. Willie French, Interpreter
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk and Treas.

The 49th annual session of the Cherokee Baptist Association met with Cherokee Baptist Church, Swain County, Oct. 2, 3, 4, 5, 1930.

After singing of a hymn Rev. Vandaily Bradley led the prayer.

Rev. Andrew Otter preached the introductory sermon John 15:16.

12:00 o'clock—adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session

The devotional was led by the moderator. Letters were called for and six of the nine churches reported. After the roll call the body entered into the organization. The following churches were represented and delegates enrolled:

BIG COVE—Rev. James Screamer, Brother Mose Welch, Sister Amanda Walkingstick.

CHEROKEE—Rev. J. N. Lee, Brother Mike Walkingstick Brother Russell McLean, Brother Manco Sneed, Sister McLean Sister Emily Walkingstick, Sister J. N. Lee.

ECHOTA—Rev. Andrew Otter, Rev. Willie French, Brother Jimsie Wallas, Brother John Walingstick.

MACEDONIA—Brother Joe Crow, Brother Saunook Littlejohn Brother Josiah Long, Brother Sam Oosiah.

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Brother Jeff Arneach Sister Mary Jane Bradley, Sister Arneach.

YELLOW HILL—Brother Henry Lossiah, Brother Tom Swimmer, Sister Camie Wahnetah.

ZION HILL—Rev. Ute Jumper.

BOILING SPRINGS—Not represented.

WRIGHTS CREEK—Not represented.

After reading of the letters and enrollment of the delegates the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Rev. Andrew Otter, moderator.
Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Indian Clerk
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk and Treasurer.
Rev. J. N. Lee, Historian.
Brother Willie French, Interpreter.

The appointment of committees was postponed till Friday

morning.

Rev. Andrew Otter preached at 7:30.

Friday Morning

The association met 10 A. M. in the absence of the moderator, Mr. French was chosen to act in his place. The devotional was conducted by Brother French. The following committees were appointed:

Sunday School—Rev. J. N. Lee.

Mrs. Amanda Walkingstick.

Brother Saunook Littlejohn.

Temperance—Rev. J. N. Lee.

Brother Joe Crow.

Brother Swimmer.

Ordained Ministers—Brother French, Brothers Jarrot Blythe, Brother Henry Lossiah, Brother Arneach.

Arrangements—Bro. Henry Lossiah, Mrs. Amanda Walkingstick, Brother Josiah Long.

Finance—Rev. J. N. Lee, Brother Mose Welch.

Deaths—Brother Henry Lossiah, Sister Mary Jane Bradley, Rev. James Screamer.

Time and Place—Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Bro. Sam Ooswie, Bro. Jeff Arneach.

The hour of preaching having arrived the body adjourned for preaching. Rev. James Screamer was appointed to preach. Mr. Screamer used as his text Luke 13:21-31.

Dismissed for dinner.

Friday Afternoon

The moderator conducted the opening service. The committee on arrangements announced preaching at 8:00.

Report of fifth Sunday meeting read and adopted. Report on ordained preachers read and adopted. Adjourned to meet at 8:00 for preaching.

Saturday Morning

Rev. Andrew Otter led the devotional. Roll call minutes read and adopted. Report on temperance read and adopted.

Rev. J. N. Lee and Rev. James Screamer spoke on the report.

Report on Sunday School read and adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Rev. Jonas Lossiah preached a very inspiring sermon. Text: Math. 24-9.

1 P. M. recess for dinner.

Saturday Afternoon

Devotional led by Rev. Andrew Otter.

Report on deaths read and adopted.

Report on Time and Place read and adopted.

Big Cove—Sister Callie French, Sister Laura Swayney.

Birdtown—Brother Owen Walkingstick, Sister Lyda Walkingstick, Sister Emaline Martin.

Cherokee—Sister Dora Johnson.

While we hate to give these up we are glad for the hope we have of meeting them in a better world, and it is a pleasure to know our loved ones have made preparation to meet their loved ones in peace.

Bro. Henry Lossiah, Sister Mary J. Bradley, Rev. James Screamer

We your committee on Time and Place recommend that we meet with Rock Spring Baptist Church, Jackson County, N. C. beginning the first Thursday in October, 1931, Rev. Andrew Otter to preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Arneach, Saunook Littlejohn, Sam Oosiah.

Report on Finances

Cherokee	$ 3.00
Big Cove	1.00
Rock Springs	1.50
Yellow Hill	1.50
Macedonia	1.25
	$ 9.25
Collections	4.25
For printing Minutes	$13.50

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. N .Lee, Bro. Mose Welch.

Report of the Fifth Sunday Meetings

There were good fifth Sunday meetings held in the following churches during the year: Cherokee, Rock Springs, Yellow Hill, Echota.

Collections	$7.29
Printing programs	6.00
Collection given to Echota for name plate	1.19
	$7.19
Balance on hand	.10

Mrs. J. N. Lee, Sec. and Treas.

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The Historian's Report was read and adopted.

The moderator was empowered to appoint delegates to the State convention. The following were appointed: Rev. Andrew Otter, Rev. J. N. Lee, Bro. Joe Crow, Bro. Jeff Arneach, Bro. Henry Lossiah, Bro. Willie French, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

Report on Finance read and adopted.

After reading of the minutes and singing of a hymn the body adjourned to meet at 8:00 for preaching.

Sunday Morning

Sunday School at 10:00; preaching at 11:00 by Rev. William French, Rev. Jonas Lossiah after which a hymn was sung and the brethren and sisters entered into a hearty hand shake which is a custom of this body since its organization. Thus closed one of the best sessions of this association in years, to meet with Rock Springs Church Oct. 1, 2, 3, 4, 1931, Rev. Andrew Otter to preach the introductory sermon.

Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator
Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Clerk
Mrs. J. N. Lee, English Clerk and Treasurer.

Report of Historian

We are thankful to our good heavenly Father that during the more than twelve years through His goodness and tender mercies we have had the opportunity and pleasure to work among you in His holy name, more than five hundred have on profession of their faith in Christ and Baptism join the several Baptist churches in our association. With the records we have it is a little difficult to find the exact total number of members in all the churches. The Sunday Schools have grown until this associational year just closing marks the greatest Sunday School year in the twelve years. We thank our good heavenly Father first of all and we thank every faithful worker; but we rejoice that our blessed Saviour will say to the faithful as He has promised, "Well done good and faithful servants enter though into the joys of thy Lord."

Let us go on to greater things for our good Lord and His people teaching them to observe all things whatsoever he has commanded, and we have his promise that He will be with us. Matt. 28:20

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE

Report on Temperance

We read in 1st Cor. 9:25, "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things."

All christians should be temperate. Surely in a time when there is so much intemperance. God's people should stand firm

and decided for temperance and righteousness.

Let us in every possible way by our example and our efforts in the extension of God's kingdom help in the cause of temperance and righteousness; the two go togther.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. Lee J. C. Crow, Thos. Swimmer, Committee.

Report on Sunday Schools

The Sunday School is one of the greatest leading points to christian life. Let us therefore keep up our Sunday School in our churches. It helps to bring lost souls into the light of our Saviour's teaching. The Sunday School is for the older ones as well as for the young people. Let us therefore pray for our Sunday Schools more than we ever have. Mat. 7 7:8: "Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you; for everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that kknocketh it shall be opened." Mat. 21 22: "And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Let us all stop a moment and think, how many times have we prayed for the up-building of our Sunday Schools, if we have prayed much. Let us pray even more. We cannot run these Sunday Schools without the help of the Lord without His helpwe can do nothing.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labour in to his harvest. Luke 10:2.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. James Walkingstick, J. N. Lee, Saunook Littlejohn, Com

We your committee on ordained ministers within the bounds of the Cherokee Baptist Association do herewith submit the following report.

Rev. J. N. Lee, Cherokee; Rev. James Screamer, Cherokee; Rev. Vandaily Bradley, Cherokee; Rv. Andrew Otter, Whittier, Rev. Ute Jumper, Robbinsville, and whereas there is one ordained minister whose name has been carried on association records and is still on record, so we do hereby recommend that in according to article XII of the Constitution: That we withdraw the right hand of fellowship from our W. B. Ratliff.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. French, Jeff Arneach, Henry Lossiah

We your committee on Deaths make the following report:

We are sorry ot have nine deaths to report in all of our churches but are glad there is no more:

Rock Springs—Brother Seveir Crow, Sister Lillie Tollie, Sister Martha George, Sister Saunook.

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Boiling Springs												
Cherokee	----	22.69	39.00	3.00	40.00	21.30	43.00	3.00	13.00	56.00	5.00	243.99
Echota	----	----	-----	1.00	----	----	----	---	----	----	1.19	2.19
Macedonia	6.75	----	-----	1.25	5.00	----	----	---	----	----	2.25	15.25
Rock Springs	15.00	----	125.00	1.50	3.00	5.00	25.00	---	----	----	1.30	175.80
Wrights Creek							----	---	----	----	1.00	1.00
Yellow Hill	8.18	----	-----	1.50	6.00	10.00	1.90	---	----	----	2.13	29.71
Zion Hill	12.00	----	-----	.30	5.00	----	----	---	----	----	1.30	18.60

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT. AND P. O.	SEC. AND P. O.
Big Cove	Johnson Wolfe, Swayney, N. C.	Manda Walkingstick, Ravensford
Cherokee	Johnson Owl, Cherokee, N. C.	Miss Carrie Sneed, Cherokee, N. C.
Macedonia	Jarrett Blythe, Cherokee, N. C.	Nannie Blythe, Rt. 1, Whittier, N. C.
Rock Springs	James Welch, Cherokee, N. C.	Bessie George, Cherokee, N. C.
Yellow Hill	Kamie Wahnetah, Cherokee, N. C.	Sam Wahnetah, Cherokee, N. C.
Zion Hill	Ute Jumer, Robbinsville, N. C.	Tom Kalonaheskie, Robbinsville,

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND P. O.	CLERK AND P. O.	Time of meeting	Baptisms	Restorations	Letter and statement	Deaths	Present members
Big Cove	James Screamer, Cherokee,	Johnson Wolfe, Swayney, N. C.	1st	--	--	--	--	40
Boiling Springs	No report							
Cherokee	J. N. Lee, Cherokee, N. C.	Hugh N. Lambert, Cherokee, N. C.	E.S.	11	--	2	1	127
Echota	Andrew Otter, Whittier N, C.	William French, Cherokee, N. C.	3rd	--	--	--	--	50
Macedonia	Jonas Lossiah, Whittier, N. C.	Saunook Littlejohn, Cherokee, N. C.	4th	--	--	--	--	60
Rock Springs	Jonas Lossiah, Whittier, N. C.	Mrs. Bessie George, Cherokee, N. C.	1st	6	--	4	--	91
Wrights Creek	JNo report	Mose Willnotie, Cherokee, N. C.	2nd	--	--	--	--	25
Yellow Hill	Jonas Lossiah, Whittier, N. C.	Mrs. Nannie Screamer, Cherokee	2nd	--	--	5	--	25
Zion Hill	Jonas Lossiah, Whittier, N. C.	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville, N. C.	4th	--	--	--	--	12

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William French, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer.....Cherokee, N. C.
William French, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

James Welch .....Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Jane Bradley .....Cherokee, N. C.
William French .....Cherokee, N. C.

STATE OF CHURCHES

Henry Lossiah .....Cherokee, N. C.
Joe Crow .....Cherokee, N. C.
William French .....Cherokee, N. C.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Rev. J. N. Lee .....Cherokee, N. C.

ORDAINED PREACHERS

Bradley, Vandaly .....Cherokee, N. C.
Jumper, Ute.....Robbinsville N. C.
Lee, J. N. .....Cherokee, N. C.
Otter, Andrew .....Whittier, N. C.
Screamer, James ..... Cherokee, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

BIG COVE—Mrs. Nancy Welch.

CHEROKEE—Manco Sneed, Rev. J. N. Lee, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

ECHOTA—William French, Rev. Andrew Otter, Jackson Otter.

MACEDONIA—Joe Crow, Sam Oosowih, Adam Long, Josiah Long, Saunook Littlejohn.

ROCK SPRINGS—Jeff Arneach, Rev. Vandaly Bradley, Jarrett Blythe, Sister Annie Bird, Sister Mary Jane Bradley.

YELLOW HILL—Henry Lossiah, Sister Donie Owl.

ZION HILL—Jonah Brown.

BOILING SPRINGS—Not represented.

WRIGHTS CREEK—Not represented.

PINEY GROVE—Not represented.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Baptist Association.

Article II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this, to be strict conformity to the New Testament.

Article III. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches, all ministers who are members of the churches in the bounds of the Association, and pastors of the churches thereof shall be members of the Association.

Article IV. The delegates from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, and also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary, incidental expenses of the church, and all benevolent purposes, during the year.

Article V. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, and Historian, who shall be elected annually by the Association.

Article VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body and to enforce an observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion, after others have spoken, or when called upon and to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session and to superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes.

Article VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys and faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

Article IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her delegates appointed for that purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

Article X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges of this body except voting.

Article XI. The annual session of this body shall commence on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article XII. Will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

RULES OF DECORUM

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
3. Elect Moderator and Interpreter.
4. Appoint committees on arrangements.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondence from sister Association.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
8. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for Treasurer's report.
12. Hear report regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place of next meeting.
14. Elect Treasurer.
15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

Oct. 1, 1931.

Morning Session

The Cherokee Baptist Association met in its Fiftieth Annual Session with Rock Springs Baptist Church, Jackson County, North Carolina, at 11:00 this morning.

1. After singing "My Soul, Be on Thy Guard," Rev. J. N. Lee read Matthew 28; he spoke briefly of the great need of giving the Gospel to all people. Rev. Andrew followed, using the same subject.

2. Adjourned for dinner.

Thursday Afternoon

3. Devotional led by Rev. Andrew Otter.

4. The letters were called for and messengers enrolled.

5. By acclamation, Rev. Andrew Otter was elected Moderator; Brother William French, Assistant ; Mrs. J. N. Lee, Clerk and Treasurer; Brother William French, Assistant; William French, Interpreter.

Welcomed as visitor: Rev. Esiah George.

6. The Moderator appointed Committees: Historian—Rev. J. N. Lee; Arrangements—Jeff Arneach, Janette Blythe, Joe Crow.

Adjourned to meet Friday morning 10:00 o'clock.

Second Day, Friday, Oct. 2nd, 1931

7. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, who conducted the opening services. Roll call and Minutes were read and adopted.

8. The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator: Sunday Schools—Rev. J. N. Lee, Janette Blythe, Joe Crow; Temperance—Manco Sneed, Joe Crow, Vandaly Bradley; Ordained Ministers—Henry Lossiah, Sam Oosiwih, Saunook Littlejohn; Deaths—Henry Lossiah, Janette Blythe, William French; Time, Place—Henry Lossiah, Joe Crow, Jeff Arneach; Executive Committee—James Welch, Sister Mary Jane Bradley, William French; State of Churches—Henry Lossiah, Joe Crow, William French.

11:00 o'clock, Rev. James Screamer preached; Luke 12:15.

Adjourned for dinner.

Friday Afternoon, Oct. 2nd, 1931

9. The Moderator conducted the devotional. The need of placing a missionary in the Association was presented by Brother William French. Rev. Vandaly Bradley, Rev. Andrew Otter and others spoke on this subject; it was referred to the Executive Committee. In connection with this, Rev. Vandaly Bradley and Rev. J. N. Lee were appointed to assist the Executive Committee in looking after the weak churches and needy places in the Association.

10. Adjourned to meet 10:00 Saturday morning.

Third Day, Oct. 3rd, 1931

11. Brother Willie French led the devotional. Roll call, Minutes read and adopted.

12. The Report on Temperance was read; after some strong talks by Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Rev. Vandaly Bradley and Rev. James Screamer, the report was adopted.

13. Suspended business to hear the sermon by Rev. J. N. Lee. Text John 15:12-17.

Adjourned for dinner.

Saturday Afternoon

14. Devotional led by Rev. Andrew Otter.

15. Heard the Report on Time and Place, which was adopted.

16. The Report on Sunday Schools was submitted; after some discussion, the report was adopted.

17. Heard the Report of the Historian; after some discussion by Rev. J. N. Lee and Rev. James Screamer, the report was adopted.

18. Delegates chosen to the State Convention:

Rev. Andrew Otter, Rev. J. N. Lee, Brother Saunook Littlejohn, Brother Jarrett Blythe, Mrs. Jarrett Blythe, Mrs. J. N. Lee.

19. The following Committee was appointed to consider the receiving the Rock Hill Church into the Cherokee Association: Rev. Andrew Otter, Jeff Arneach, W. L. French.

20. The Report on State of Churches was heard.

21. Report of Fifth Sunday Meetings of the Cherokee Baptist Association in the following churches: Zion Hill, Cherokee, Macedonia, Yellow Hill.

Balance on hand was 10 cts.; collections amounted to $6.65; total $6.75. Paid for Printing Programs $6.00, leaving a balance of 75 cts.

22. The parting hymn was sung. The farewell hand shake was given, and the Association was declared adjourned.

23. Sunday 11:00 A. M. Rev. Vandaly Bradley preached and Rev. Siglined.

2:00 P. M. Rev. Andrew Otter preached.

REV. ANDREW OTTER, Moderator.

MRS. J. N. LEE, Clerk.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Jesus, our Saviour, taught in the synogogues. John 18:20. In the Great Commission, our Saviour says "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Matt. 28:20.

The Sunday School is the greatest Bible teaching institution we have in our churches. We are glad the Sunday Schools are growing in our Association; but whereas most of our churches have Sunday Schools through the warmer season of the year they should be going 52 Sundays in the year; and since none of us graduate in the Bible, it is a good place for the young, the middle aged and the old.

So let us keep the Sunday Schools going in all the churches all the year, being 52 Sundays each year. Teaching those who have become disciples or Christians to observe "all things whatsoever He has commanded" and teaching and helping others to be Christians.

Respectfully submitted,
J. N. LEE,
J. C. CROWE,
JARRETT BLYTHE,
Committee.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

During the fifty years of the Cherokee Baptist Association, some of the faithful soldiers of the cross have passed on to their reward, such as Rev. John Jackson, Rev. Bird Solonetah and others; many have wrought well, but as it is with many of us, we have not done a beginning of what we feel that we should have done; but we are thankful that God's cause among us keeps moving on. We have had a considerable number added to some of the churches during this Associational year on profession of their faith in Christ and baptism, for which we thank God. The Sunday Schools are growing in interest in some of the churches; but let us do our best in His name to make the attendance and the interest greater.

Respectfully submitted,
J. N LEE.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your Committee on State of Churches, find there has been some increase in membership over last year, 29 were received by baptism. Our present membership, as recorded by the different churches, now numbers 495 in the various churches of the Cherokee Baptist Association.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. CROW,
HENRY LOSSIAH,
W. L. FRENCH,

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We read in 1st Cor. 9:25, "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things."

All Christians should be temperate. Surely in a time when there is so much intemperance God's people should stand firm and decided for temperance and righteousness.

Let us in every way by our own example and our efforts in the extension of God's Kingdom help in the cause of temperance and righteousness; the two go together.

Respectfully submitted,

MANCO SNEED,
J. CROW,
REV. VANDALY BRADLEY.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE

We, your Committee on Time and Place, do hereby recommend that we meet with the Yellow Hill Church, at Cherokee, Swain County, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1932.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. Andrew Otter, Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. CROWE,
HENRY LOURVIE,
JEFF ARNEACH,

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Big Cove	$ 1.00
Cherokee	3.70
Echota	2.00
Macedonia	2.00
Rock Springs	1.75
Yellow Hill	1.00
Public Collection	2.52
Total	$13.97

Respectfully submitted,

SISTER BESSIE GEORGE,
SISTER ANNIE BIRD,
SISTER DONIE OWL
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM

We, your Committee on Deaths, do herewith report that we find six of our sisters and one brother have passed away during the Year:

ROCK SPRINGS—Mrs. Minda Hanbuckler.

ZION HILL—Mrs. Lyda Brown.

YELLOW HILL—Mrs. Stacy Jackson.

ECHOTA—Mrs. Linda Walkingstick, Mrs. Bessie Youngdeer, Mr. John Long.

We have one sister who has left us, we cannot but say; that the Church and the Association has lost one faithful worker, and that one is our sister, Stacy Jackson. While it is our loss it is her gain; and that our Lord and Master knows best.

We hope and trust that some day we will meet all of them in a better world.

W. L. FRENCH
HENRY LOSSIAH
JANET BLYTHE
Committee

SUMMARY TABLE

CHURCHES	Location	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	Baptism	Present Membership	Revival Meetings	Lord's Supper	State Paper	Sunday Schools	S. S. Enrollment	Pastors Salary	Total for Local Work	Gifts to Co-Op. Prog.	Grand total Gifts	Value Church House and Grounds
Big Cave	C		1	3	43	1	1	...	...	25	5.00	18.00	.....	.....	.....
Cherokee	C	1923	*	12	141	1	3	2	1	106	.....	181.32	60.00	81.95	5,500.00
Echota	C	1861	3	6	63	1	1	...	1	23	14.00	30.00	.....	.....	1,500.00
Macedonia	C	1870	4	...	56	1	...	...	1	64	2.33	30.33	.....	.....	1,800.00
Rock Springs	C	1898	1	...	91	...	1	...	1	82	9.22	78.97	.....	.....	1,200.00
umng..nZion Hill	C		2	...	40	...	...	...	1	30	8.38	26.38	.....	.....	300.00
Yellow Hall	C		3	8	19	1	...	...	1	25	1,30	9.30	.....	.....	200.00
Piney Grove	C			...	12	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boiling Springs	C			...	8	...	...	...	...	...	.....		.....	.....	.....
Wrights Creek	C			...	22	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals				29	495	5	...	2	...	355	37.23	374.30	6.00	81.95	10,500.00

*Denotes full time preaching.

CHURCHES	Pastors	Clerks	Treasurers	Superintendents
Big Cove	Rev. J. Screamer, Crerokee	Johnson Wolfe, Swayney.	Johnson Wolfe, Swayney	Johnson Wolfe, Swayney.
Cherokee	Rev. J. N. Lee, Cherokee	Hugh Lambert, Cherokee	Mrs. J. N. Lee, Cherokee	Mrs. J. N. Lee, Cherokee.
Echorta	Rev. Andrew Otter, Whittier	William French, Cherokee	William French, Cherokee	Rev. Andrew Otter, Whitt
Macedonia	Rev. Andrew Otter, Whittier	Saunook Littlejohn, Ch'kee	Mrs. N. Blythe, Cherokee	Joe Crow, Whittier
Rock Springs	Rev. Jonas Lossiah, Whittier	Jarrette Blythe, Cherokee	Jarrette Blythe, Cherokee	James Welch, Cherokee
Yellow Hill	Rev. Jonas Lossiah, Whittier	Mrs. M. Screamer, Cherok	Mrs. M. Screamer, Cherokee	Mrs. Wahnetah, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Rev. Jonas Lossiah, Whittier	Jona Brown, Robbinsville	Jona Brown, Robbinsville	Jonas Brown, Robbinsvill
*Boiling Sprdings	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Piney Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Wrights Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....

*No report.

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FIFTY SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

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Cherokee Baptist Association

Held With

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Jackson County, N. C.

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Sept. 28, 29, 30, Oct. 1, 1933

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Next Session will be held with the
ECHOTA BAPTIST CHURCH—BIRDTOWN
Swain County, N. C.

Beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1934.

Introductory Sermon: Jonas Lossie

ORDER OF BUSINESS

First Day.

10:00—Devotional 15 minutes
Roll call of churches
Appoint committee on Order of Business, and elect Officers
Recognize Visitors
Hear application for membership
Hear report on committee on order of business
Annual Sermon
Announcements and appointment of committees to report
Adjourn for lunch—one hour

Evening Session First Day.

Devotional 15 minutes
Co-operative Program in its relation to the following:
State Missions
Home Missions
Foreign Missions
Ministerial Relief
Christian Education
Baptist Hospital
Miscellaneous business
Adjournment

Night Session First Day.

B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School work

Morning Session Second Day.

Devotional 15 minutes
Roll call of churches
Recognize Visitors
Grouping churches into fields
Temperance and Public Morals
Woman's Missionary work
Announcements
Adjournment for lunch—one hour

Evening Session Second Day.

Devotional 15 minutes
Religious Literature
Christian Stewardship
Report of committees
Report on state of the churches
Report of committee on time, place and preacher
Resolutions
Adjournment

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Moderator—Vandaley Bradley
Clerk—W. L. French
Treasurer—Johnson Owl
Interpreter—W. L. French

Executive Committee

John Walkingstick
Jeff Arneech
Joe Crowe

Ordained Ministers

Vandaley Bradley	Cherokee, N. C.
Ute Jumper	Robbinsville, N. C.
Andrew Otter	Whittier N. C.
James Screamer	Cherokee, N. C.
W. F. Sinclair, Missionary	Cherokee, N. C.

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Cherokee Baptist Association

Proceedings of the Fifty Second Annual Session of the Cherokee Baptist Association, meeting with the Macedonia Baptist church September 28, 29 ,30, October 1, 1933.

In the absence of the moderator the association was Called to order by the clerk, W. L. French. The pastor of Macedonia church, C. G. Ensley, was asked to sit as moderator Pro Tem. The time having arrived for the Annual sermon brother Vandaley Bradley delivered the sermon using as his text I Cor. 3:8.

Thursday Evening Session

The Association was called to order by the acting moderator. Devotional services were conducted by J. N. Lee from John 15: first 17 verses. Following this the letters were called for from the churches.

Big Cove—Mose Welch and Johnson Wolf.

Cherokee—J. N. Lee, Johnson Owl, Manco Sneed, Blakely Sneed.

Echota—W. L. French, Allen Wahnetah, Jim Conseen.

Macedonia—Joe Crowe, Saunooke Littlejohn, Sam Oosarwee, David Blythe, Henry Blythe.

Piney Grove—By letter.

Rock Springs—Vandaley Bradley, Jeff Arneech, Mrs. Sarah Arneech.

Yellow Hill—Henry Lossie, Wm. Owl, Mrs. Wm. Owl.

Zion Hill—Not represented.

Note: Boiling Springs and Wrights Creek have ceased to exist.

After the enrollment of messengers the business of electing officers was taken up and the following were elected to serve this associational year:

Moderator—Vandaley Bradley; Clerk-Interpreter, W. L. French; Treasurer, Johnson Owl. Meeting was adjourned until Friday morning at 10:00.

Friday Morning Session

Meeting called to order by the moderator who read John 16:14 and led in prayer. After the roll call a motion was passed to welcome bretheren Jones Lossie and Esiah George from the Waynesville Association to sit with us. A motion was passed to allow the moderator to appoint the following committees: Arrangement, Johnson Owl, and Joe Crowe; Sunday School—J. N. Lee, Manco Sneed, Sam Oosarwee; Obituaries—Allen Wahnetah, Jim Conseen; Finance—Saunooke Littlejohn, Rosie Lossie; Time and place and preacher—Johnson Owl, Allen Wahnetah; Historian—Left open; Ordained Ministers—W. L. French, Manco Sneed; State of the Churches—J. N. Lee, Joe Crowe; Temperance—J. N. Lee and Joe Crowe.

A committee consisting of bretheren John McCoy and Dewitt Owl from the Bethabara church at Birdtown presented a request that their church be taken under the watch-care of the Cherokee Association. A motion was then passed to suspend the business and hear a sermon by Jonas Lossie. The meeting then adjourned until 1:30.

Friday Evening Session

Meeting was called to order by the moderator who read the third chapter of Second John. Prayer by Saunookee Littlejohn. Roll call of the churches. Report of Historian: The Association was organized in 1881. For sixteen years in the good providence of Almighty God, we are closing our sixteenth year among you. These have been years of delight among you. There have been improvements in many ways, but as the great aspostle Paul says, "Let us press on." There is still room for improvement in all kingdom service. We are praying that those who have been saved through the grace of God, may say, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" We are praying that every saved soul on this reservation may find their place of service and work in following our Lord's footsteps, and forwarding his kingdom's interest. Lovingly submitted, J. N. Lee. The report was adopted.

Report on Temperance. We read in Ephesians 5:18, "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess: but be filled with the Spirit." We also read in Proverbs 20:1. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." We think the wisest way is to abstain from any drink that will make one drunk. All of God's people should be sober and temperate, and full of the good Spirit of God. Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven. "Matt. 5:16. We should be sober and temperate; and exert an influence in the world for temperance and sobriety. Respectfully, J. N. Lee. The report was adopted.

Motion was passed to hear the report of Esiah George who was appointed by the Association to preach to Piney Grove and Zion Hill churches. The report was referred to the next meeting of the Fifth Sunday session. Adjourned until 10:00 Saturday morning.

Saturday Morning Session

Association called to order by the moderator who read from the 7th chapter of Matthew. Prayer by J. N. Lee. Motion was passed to read minutes of the session. Report of committee on Obituaries. Report will be found on last page of minutes. The report was adopted.

Report of committee on time, place and preacher. We, your committee, hereby recommend that the next session of the Cherokee Baptist Association meet with the Echota church at Birdtown, Swain County, beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1934. Sermon to be delivered by Jonas Lossie. Johnson Owl and Allen Wahnetah, committee. The report was adopted.

Report of Ordained Ministers. Read by for Committee. List will be found on page with directory of Association.

Business was suspended for a sermon by Andrew Otter, who read Mark, 13:33-37. Adjourned for lunch.

Saturday Evening Session

Meeting was called to order by the moderator. Song, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," Scripture lesson was from a part of the third chapter of John.

Report on Sunday Schools.

We, your committee, report that we have some Sunday Schools going regularly, but some still go into winter quarters or suspend for part of the time during the winter months. This should not be, since in the Sunday School we have a great opportunity for teaching the Word to young and old. There should be a Sunday school in every church and any other place where one is needed, so that the Bible can be taught to all our people every Sunday in the year. Let us plead with you to keep your school open all the year. J. N. Lee and Joe Crowe, Comm. The report was adopted.

Report on Finance.

Your committee reports that the following churches have subscribed and in part have sent their pledge to the Association:

Cherokee	$5 .76	Yellow Hill	2.00
Rock Springs	2.00	Piney Grove	
Echota	.67	Zion Hill	
Macedonia	1.25	Public Offering	2.66
Big Cove		Total Amount	14.37

Rosie Owl for Committee

Report on State of Churches.

Your committee makes the best report we can under the circumstances. We find that thirty-three members have been added by baptism during the associational year. Since some of the churches did not send messengers of letters we do not know the full amount that has been contributed for the various causes. Let us urge the churches to see that their work is reported, and that full account be rendered of our stewardship in the Master's service.

—J. N. Lee and Joe Crowe. Report was adopted.

Motion was passed to send two messengers to the State Convention at Greensboro, and bretheren W. L. French and Andrew Otter were elected.

The new Missionary, Rev. W. F. Sinclair who succeeds Rev. J. N. Lee was introduced and he made a short talk on the Co-operative Program.

A motion was passed to have the clerk write a resolution concerning the work of Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Lee who served the churches these past sixteen years. The resolution follows:

Inasmuch as brother and sister J. N. Lee are retiring from this field after sixteen years of faithful work among us, we hereby seek to express our deep and abiding appreciation of their work and labor of love among us. Much progress has attended their labors. We trust that many souls they have led to Christ and many hearts they have comforted in their ministry may give them a glad hand on the other side of the river. We trust that the health of Mrs. Lee may in the providence of God be restored and that she may have many happy years yet in the service of the Lord she so dearly loves. To our dear brother Lee who has walked so soberly among us, we pray that he may hear the coveted, "Well done thou good and faithful servant," when his work here shall end. Adjourned until Sunday morining.

Sunday Morning Session

The sermon was delivered by the new Missionary, W. F. Sinclair. The afternoon was given over to the different choirs to sing until time for adjournment.

Resolution: We the messengers and visitors wish to express our thanks for the hospitality of the Macedonia church and its pastor during this session of the Association.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
For the Year Ending October 1, 1933

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt. and Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Total Denominational Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions (Pastor's Salary, etc.)	Grand Total (Add last two totals)
Big Cove	Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.	John Wolf, Ravensford, N. C.	3	14	15		12.00	16.00
Boiling Springs	No Organization							
Cherokee	J. N. Lee, Cherokee, N. C.	Hugh Lambert, Cherokee, N. C.	2	173	70	94.00	126.47	220.47
Echota	Andrew Otter, Whittier, N. C.	A. J. Hall, Bryson City, N. C.	1	70	51		41.50	41.50
Macedonia	C. G. Ensley, Cherokee, N. C.	Mrs. Mary B. Blythe, Cherokee, N. C.	20	66	42		33.37	33.37
Piney Grove	Esiah George, Whittier, N. C.	Agnes Lossie, Cherokee, N. C.	1	13	15			
Rock Springs	Wm. Anthony, Whittier, N. C.	James Welch, Cherokee, N. C.	5	109	30		9.87	9.87
Wrights Creek	No Organization							
Yellow Hill	Jonas Lossie, Whittier, N. C.	Mrs. Wm. Wanetah, Cherokee, N. C.		23	18		4.45	4.45
Zion Hill	Esiah George, Whittier, N. C.	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville, N. C.		40	30			

DEATHS

We your committee on deaths report that the following have departed this life since the last meeting of our body.

Echota—Sister Lindy Ross, and sister Mary Ledford.

Cherokee—Sisters Lucy Crowe, Lucy Ann Thompson, Georgia Burgess, and Georgia Lambert.

Rock Springs—Sister Polly Sanders.

Jim Conseen
Allen Wahnetah, Committee

Rev. 14:13 —"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them."

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FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

Cherokee Baptist Association

NORTH CAROLINA

Held with the

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH

Cherokee, N. C. Swain County

October 3, 4, 5 & 6, 1935

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Moderator—Rev. Van Daley Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Clerk—Johnson Owle, Cherokee, N. C.

Next Session will be held with the

WRIGHT'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

SWAIN COUNTY

Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1936

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Associational Directory

Moderator ---------- Vandaley Bradley
Vice Moderator ---------- Jim Conseen
Clerk-Treasurer-Interpreter ---------- Johnson Owl

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Vandaley Bradley ---------- Cherokee, N. C.
Ute Jumper ---------- Robbinsville, N. C.
Andrew Otter ---------- Whittier, N. C.
Wm. H. Fitzgerald ---------- Cherokee, N. C. (Missionary)

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with a prayer.
2. Visiting bretheren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association, but vote on none.
3. The moderator shall nominate all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion being made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without the permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. These Rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the organization of the Association.

Cherokee Baptist Association

Proceedings of the Fifty-fourth Annual Session of the Cherokee Baptist Association held with the Cherokee Baptist Church, Cherokee, N. C., October 3, 4, 5, and 6, 1935.

THURSDAY EVENING

The Association was called to order by the moderator who led the devotions reading Matt. 3:13-17.

Letters from the churches were called for. The following churches and messengers with their contribution for minutes, responded, a few messages coming in later.

CHEROKEE—W. H. Fitzgerald, Johnson Owle, Mary Sneed, Martha Sneed, Mrs. Queen, Mrs. Mike Walkingstick, Stella Arch, and H. N. Lambert.

ECHOTA—John Walkingstick, Jonah Lossie, James Conseen, and Allen Wahyaneeta. $2.00

MACEDONIA—Joe Crowe. $2.00

ROCK SPRINGS—Vandaley Bradley.

PINEY GROVE—Tom Sawyer.

YELLOW HILL—Henry Lossie, William Owle, Nannie Screamer.

WRIGHT'S CREEK—Lloyd Smith, Mose Winota, Russell Hornbuckle, Clifford Hornbuckle, and Lilly Hornbuckle. $2.00

ZION HILL—Ute Jumper, and Mrs. Ute Jumper. $2.00

On motion Rev. Vandaley was chosen as Moderator; James Conseen, Vice Moderator; Johnson Owle, Clerk, Treasurer, Interpreter; Clifford Hornbuckle, Auditor.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Ute Jumper, his text taken from the Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews.

The afternoon was taken by hearing Rev. C. C. Mace of Clyde, N. C., on the Cooperative Campaign, speaking on the great commission in an effective way. Several brethren responded.

On motion, adjournament was made until 10:00 a. m. next day.

Friday Morning

The Moderator called the meeting to order and conducted the devotional meeting reading the first verses of John 3 and calling on W. H. Fitzgerald for prayer.

After roll call the following committees were appointed on motion. Business Committee, afterwards named the Executive Committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—W. H. Fitzgerald, Clifford Hornbuckle, Allen Wahyaneeta, Russell Hornbuckle, Andrew Otter, Jarrett Blythe.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE—Joe Crowe, Lloyd Smith.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK—W. H. Fitzgerald, Johnson Owle.

OBITUARIES—Clifford Hornbuckle, Russell Hornbuckle.

TIME AND PLACE—Lloyd Smith, Joe Crowe, Allen Wahyaneeta.

FINANCE—John Walkingstick, Allen Wahyaneeta, John Owle.

ORDAINED MINISTERS—Joe Crowe, Lloyd Smith

HISTORIAN—Andrew Otter

LITERATURE—Andrew Otter, Allen Wahyaneeta, W. H. Fitzgerald.

DEVOTIONS—Lloyd Smith, Allen Wahyaneeta.

The devotional committee selected Brother Ute Jumper to preach the morning sermon. He read Hebrew 12:1-7 and spoke on the 25th verse.

Clifford Hornbuckle closed the morning session with prayer.

Afternoon Session

Devotions were conducted by Clifford Hornbuckle, reading Rev. 10:1 and 2. The roll was called.

The new Missionary, W. H. Fitzgerald, made a report of his work for six months recommending that each church look after the comfort of its building, support its pastor better, keep its Sunday School going all the year and work toward a standard school, and that we have an Associational Sunday School organization meeting on the afternoon of the fourth Sunday in each month. He urged that we put the Bible in the first place and endeavor to get all the people to read and study it.

On motion the business committee was named and the executive committee to function through the year.

On motion the Association adjourned until tomorrow with closing prayer by James Conseen.

Saturday

Moderator called the meeting to order and Brother Ute Jumper led the devotions, reading Matt. 16:18-20.

The roll was called. On a call for letters again, Bethabara reported a letter, but without messengers. On motion, a committee consisting of W. H. Fitzgerald was appointed to try to secure reports of churches not sent to the Association. Informal reports as to the work were made by the brethren looking to better cooperation.

The devotional committee appointed Andrew Otter to preach at 11:00 a. m. He chose Matt. 16:28. The Association adjourned with a prayer, to lunch.

Afternoon

The Moderator conducted the devotions reading I. Thess. 4:13. The devotional committee reported that Rev. Vandaley Bradley will preach Sunday at 11:00 o'clock and Rev. David Owle of Seneca Indian Reservation in New York will preach Sunday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock.

Several reports were made and accepted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK. (No Report)

HISTORIAN. The Cherokee Baptist Association was dedicated in 1881 by a Missionary Baptist preacher assisted by Brother Brendle, A. A. Sims, and A. Power. The text was Matt. 18-19. Only four churches were represented by messengers.

—Andrew Otter.

LITERATURE. (No Report)

ORDAINED MINISTER. (No Report)

OBITUARIES. We the committee on deaths do hereby report that we find three sisters and one brother have passed away during the last Associational Year.

Yellow Hill ---------- Sister Cinda Screamer
Echota ---------- Sister Jennett Wesley
Wright's Creek ---------- Sister Laura Smith
and Brother George Hornbuckle

Committee—

Clifford Hornbuckle
Russell Hornbuckle

TIME AND PLACE. Your Committee recommends Wright's Creek Baptist Church as the place, Brother Ute Jumper, or Vandaley Bradley as preacher, and Thursday before the first Sunday in October, as the time.

TEMPERANCE. Your committee on Temperance recommends that Cherokee Indian Association place itself on record as opposed to strong drink in all its forms and effects.

On motion the Executive Committee was instructed to examine the title to all properties and report next year. Brother Fitzgerald then preached a practical sermon on Rev. 1:3.

The meeting then came to a close with an old fashioned handshaking and a prayer by Brother Ute Jumper.

The Sunday's services were carried out as directed with a sermon by Brother Vandaley Bradley in the morning and another in the afternoon by Brother David Owle.

There are now 10 churches with 581 members in this Association. In these churches there are 8 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 245 pupils and 24 teachers and officers. Sunday school enrollment should be larger than church membership. All church members should be members of the Bible school, plus all who are not members of the church. There is a place in one of the departments of the school for every person. Any who are too young to attend Bible school should be enrolled in the Cradle Roll Department. All who cannot or will not attend should be enrolled in the Extension Department. Responsibility for enrolling pupils rests upon the teachers and officers of the school more than anyone else.

The work of the Sunday school is Christian education. As a school it is an educational agency in its own right seeking to make education Christian. Its right and power is in making known the truth. Jesus said "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

Christian education seeks desirable changes in human character and conduct. It seeks to impart truth to the multitudes, to transmit knowledge about religion, to stimulate, guide and enrich Christian experience based on the Bible. Christian education is not a substi-

tute for evangelism but a means of preparing the way for evangelism, making evangelism more effective and following up evangelism that it may be more fruitful. It has as its objective the leading of the lost to Jesus Christ, to help Christians to acquire valuable knowledge, develop right attitudes, make right choices, live the abundant life, develop Christian character and to secure an effective church membership committed to the whole program of Christ for the whole world.

To aid the churches with their Bible teaching work, the Baptist State Convention maintains a Department of Sunday School Work with Perry Morgan, Secretary, and L. L. Morgan, Field Worker, Raleigh. Their services are available without cost to the churches for training classes, conferences, Sunday School Revivals, Enlargement Campaigns, Associational Conventions, and all other types of meetings. The Department will furnish tracts, postage paid, on any and all phases of the work to any church requesting the same of Secretary Perry Morgan, Raleigh.

Finally, your Committee recommends larger use of the Associational Sunday School Organization to: supplement the time allotted in the Annual Meeting for more adequate discussion of plans and methods for Sunday school work, to aid in reaching churches unenlisted in the Baptist program, to serve as a barrier to inroads and assaults made upon the churches by outside cults and sects seeking to lead our people away from the paths blazed by our forefathers, to help weak churches in their struggles against unsound and unwholesome influences that tend to undermine their faith, to preserve and propagate distinctive Baptist principles, methods and doctrines, to protect our schools from heretical, unbiblical and anti-Baptist teachings and to unify our churches in all their work. "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no division among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind; and in the same judgment"—the Apostle Paul in I Cor. 1:10.

Wm. H. Fitzgerald
Johnson Owle
Committee

Statistical Report of the Cherokee Baptist Association : : 1935

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt. and Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Denom. Cont.	Local Contributions	Total
Big Cove	No Pastor	No Supt.						
Bethabara	Gaston Griffin, Bryson City, N. C.	James Conseen Whittier, N. C.	1	14		$	$	$
Cherokee	Wm. H. Fitzgerald. Cherokee, N. C.	Mike Walkingstick Cherokee, N. C.		129	30		23.00	23.00
Echota	Jonas Lossie, Whittier, N. C.	James Conseen Whittier, N. C.		171	68	44.59	109.70	154.29
Macedonia	No Pastor	No Supt.		18	20		10.66	10.66
Piney Grove	Esiah George, Whittier, N. C.	Tom Sawyer Ravensford, N. C.		66		1.25	5.25	6.50
Rock Springs	No Pastor	Goliath George Cherokee, N. C.	1	16	20	2.50	5.00	7.50
Wright's Creek	Vandaley Bradley Cherokee, N. C.	Clifford Hornbuckle Cherokee, N. C.	8	93	30	3.50	25.00	28.50
Yellow Hill	Jonas Lossie, Whittier, N. C.	Mrs. KamieWahneetah Cherokee, N. C.	3	23	41		20.00	20.00
Zion Hill	Esiah George Whittier, N. C.	Jonas Brown Robbinsville, N. C.		10	21		3.35	3.35
			1	41	15		20.00	20.00
			14	581	245	51.84	221.96	273.80

FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION — 1934

Proceedings of the 53rd Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association held with the Echota church, Birdtown, Cherokee Indian Reservation, Oct. 4-5-6-7, 1934.

Thursday Morning

The Moderator, Vandaley Bradley, called the meeting to order, and Hymn No. 87 in the Cherokee Hymnal was sung. The Moderator read 2 John, third chapter, and Saunooke Littlejohn led the prayer. The Moderator then delivered a sermon on the Second Coming of the Lord. The meeting was adjourned until 2:00 p. m.

2:00 Devotional services were conducted by the Moderator who read I Thess. 5: 18-28. A motion passed to call Brother Jim Conseen to act as Clerk pro tem. Letters were called for and the churches were enrolled. A motion passed to make Willie Owl reading clerk, and he proceeded to read the letters from the churches. Meeting was adjourned until Friday morning.

Friday Morning

Friday morning 10:00. Meeting called to order by the Moderator and Missionary W. F. Sinclair read Romans 12, and led in prayer. Roll call of churches was next in order. A motion passed to elect the Officers for the coming year and the following were duly elected: Moderator Vandaley Bradly; Clerk-Interpreter-Treasurer, Johnson Owl; Vice Moderator, Jim Conseen. The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator to report next year: Program, Johnson Owl and Jim Conseen; Finance, Saunooke Littlejohn, Johnson Owl, Lloyd Smith; Sunday Schools, W. F. Sinclair, Saunooke Littlejohn; Temperance, Joe Crowe, Sam Oosarwee; Obituaries, Saunooke Little john, John Walkingstick; Time and Place, Thomas Sawyer, Johnson Wolf, Lloyd Smith.

The time having arrived for the sermon, W. F. Sinclair read Is. 6:16 and delivered the message. Adjourned for lunch.

Friday Evening

Devotional led by the Moderator who read Rev. 20. Roll call of churches. Report of committees. Committee on time and place recommend that we go to Cherokee. Time: Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1935. Sermon to be preached by Jonas Lossie, with Andrew Otter alternate. The report was adopted. A motion passed to receive the Bethabara church into this Association. A motion passed to receive the Piney Grove church back into the Association. The Program Committee appointed Willie Owl to preach tonight. Adjourned one hour for lunch.

Saturday Evening

Saturday evening devotional led by the Moderator who read John 12:13. The evening session was given over to miscellaneous business. Adjournment was taken until 8:00. Brother Willie Owl was compelled to leave because of another engagement and the sermon was preached by Jonas Lossie from John 14:1-7.

Sunday Morning

Sunday School 10:00. Sermon at 11:00 by Brother Goforth who took Luke 14:17, and spoke in English. Brother Siglie Ned then preached from Luke 13th chapter.

The following messengers attended the Association: Big Cove, Johnson Wolf; Bethabara, Gaston Griffin (pastor), Dewitt Owl, James Lambert, Willie Owl; Cherokee, W. F. Sinclair (Missionary), Johnson Owl; Echota, John Walkingstick, Allen Wahneetah, Jim Conseen, Nancy Bushyhead; Macedonia, Saunooke Littlejohn, Joe Crowe, Sam Oosarwee, Josiah Long; Piney Grove, Tom Sawyer, Rosie Owl; Rock Springs, Vandaley Bradley; Wright's Creek, Lloyd Smith, Mose Wilnota, Clifford Hornbuckle; Yellow Hill, Henry Lossie, Ann Swimmer; Zion Hill, Not represented.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Committee on Obituaries:

We, your committee, find that six of our number have passed away since the last meeting of the Association. All were faithful members of the churches. One of them, Brother Screamer, was a faithful minister to his own people for more than thirty years. "Well done, thou faithful servant." John Walkingstick and Saunooke Littlejohn, Comm.

Report on Temperance:

We read in Eph. 5:18, "Be not drunk with wine wherein Excess; but be filled with the Spirit." We also read in Prov. 20:1, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." We feel therefore that the wisest plan for us is to abstain from any kind of drink that will make one drunk. All of God's people should be sober and temperate, and full of the good Spirit of God. Jesus said in Matt. 5:16, "Let your light so shine be-

fore men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in heaven." Sam Oosarwee, Jim Conseen, Comm.

Report on Sunday Schools:

We now have Sunday schools in all our churches except Big Cove. A good school is being conducted at Cherokee Indian school under the direction of the teachers. But in none of the Sunday schools is the attendance anything like it ought to be.

May we urge upon our people the great blessings found in the study of God's Word. We have the best literature for those who speak and read English, and the New Testament for those who speak and read Cherokee. Our people need to know the Bible. No matter how much we may know about other things, if we neglect the study of the Bible we shall suffer in many ways. We urge that our pastors attend the Sunday School wherever possible, and encourage the work in every way possible.

W. F. Sinclair, Saunooke Littlejohn,
Committee

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Bethabara	Gaston Griffin, Bryson City, N. C.	Jim Conseen, Whittier, N. C.	18	100	34			
Cherokee	W. F. Sinclair, Cherokee, N. C.	H. N. Lambert, Cherokee, N. C.		107	70	44.54	108.41	152.95
Echota	Jonas Lossie, Whittier, N. C.			18	40		9.27	9.27
Macedonia	W. F. Sinclair, Cherokee, N. C.	Jack Jackson, Whittier, N. C.		66	45		20.00	20.00
Piney Grove		Tom Sawyer Ravensford, N. C.	1	16	38			
Rock Springs	Wm. Anthony, Whittier, N. C.	Goliath George, Cherokee, N. C.	2	87	48		27.60	27.60
Wright's Creek	Vandaley Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N. C.	2	6	16		2.18	2.18
Yellow Hill	Jonas Lossie, Whittier, N. C.	Mrs. Wm. Wahneetah, Cherokee, N. C.		10	24		8 .63	8.63
Zion Hill	W. F. Sinclair, Cherokee, N. C.	Jonas Brown, Robbinsville, N. C.		40	30		5.00	5.00
			23	463	359	44.54	181.09	225.63

CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Please note: The minutes of the 1934 session of the Cherokee Baptist Assoc. are in the back of the 1935 minutes beginning with page 9.

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WRIGHT'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
Jackson County, North Carolina
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Cherokee Baptist Association

After election of officers, as before mentioned, a motion was made that the Constitution of the association be read, a copy of which follows, and also an official order of business.

CONSTITUTION

Article I, This body shall be known as the Cherokee Baptist Association.

Article II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this, to be strict conformity to the New Testament.

Article III. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches, all ministers who are members of the churches in the bounds of the Association, and pastors of the churches thereof shall be members of the Association.

Article IV. The delegates from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, and also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary, incidental expenses of the church, and all benevolent purposes, during the year.

Article V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, and Historian, who shall be elected annually by the Association.

Article VI, It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion, after others have spoken, or when called upon and to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session and to superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes.

Article VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all monies and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

Article IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her delegates appointed for that purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

Article X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and to extend to them all privileges except voting,

Article XI. The annual session of this body shall commence on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article XII. Will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
3. Elect Moderator and Interpreter.
4. Appoint committees on arrangements.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondence from sister Associations,
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
8. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for Treasurer's report.
12. Hear report regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place for next meeting.
14. Elect Treasurer.
15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.

On motion the treasurer read his report which was accepted.

On motion Ute Jumper and W. H. Fitzgerald were appointed to write a historical report.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Literature—Robert Smith and W. H. Fitzgerald.

Temperance—Mose Wilnota, Johnson Owl, and Allen Wahneetah.

Sunday School—Lloyd Smith, Clifford Hornbuckle and Henry Lossie.

Obituaries—Ute Jumper and Goliath George.

Time and Place—Johnson Owl, Goliath George and Robert Smith.

Finance—Ben Bushyhead, Mose Wilnota, and Allen Wahneetah.

Devotions—Allen Wahneetah and Lloyd Smith.

Ordained Ministers—Russell Hornbuckle and Henry Lossie.

On motion Ben Bushyhead was asked to install the associational officers.

On motion the clerk was authorized to buy a record book for the association.

On motion the session was dismissed until 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Rev. Clifford led the closing prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING

The assistant moderator called the meeting to order, reading John 15:1-6. Lloyd Smith led in prayer. The roll was called.

On motion a minor correction was allowed to be made by the Yellow Hill messengers regarding the value of the building. Preaching hour having arrived, the executive committee's report was postponed until the afternoon. Rev. Ute Jumper preached on John 14:1-4. A public offering of $3.30 was received.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The moderator called the meeting to order and read Matt. 28:16-20, after which Russell Hornbuckle offered prayer. On motion a recess of 30 minutes was granted to all committees for preparing reports. The reports were called for and adopted as follows:

On Finance

We your committee on Finance urge this association to do more this year than in the past. In the Scriptures we read thus: Exodus 25:1 Speak unto the children of Israel that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering etc. Malachi 1:10-11 Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye say wherein shall we return? Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Therefore the following churches have donated the funds named to pay for the printing of the minutes: Rock Springs, $1.00; Echota, $2.00; Cherokee, $2.00; Yellow Hill, $2.00; Macedonia, $2.00; Zion Hill, $2.00; Bethabara, $2.00; Wright's Creek, $2.00; Piney Grove, $2.00. Big Cove not represented.

Respectfully,

Ben Bushyhead
Mose Wilnota
Allen Wahneetah

On Sunday Schools

We your committee on Sunday School Work find we have Sunday Schools in every church except Big Cove, and hope to have one there soon. We believe that every minister of the gospel should attend Sunday School, if possible, each Sunday. We believe that Sunday School is advantageous in every way to the coming generation. We need more interested workers in our Sunday Schools. We believe that half of our conversions, if not more, should come from our Sunday Schools. Let us strive to make our Sunday Schools better the coming year.

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On Temperance

We your committee on temperance recommend that the Cherokee Indian Association place itself on record as opposed to strong drink in all its forms and effects. We need to help deliver our people from this evil by earnest Bible teaching and by abstinence from the use of it.

Allen Wahneetah
Moses Wilnota
Johnson Owl

On Obituaries

We find the following names of those who sleep in Jesus from the records of the letters.

Big Cove—Ward Wolf and Mrs. Dugan Powell.
Echota—Posey Wahneetah.
Macedonia—Deacon Sam Oosawee and Mrs. Susie Oosawee.
Yellow Hill—Yonah Johnson.

Ute Jumper
Goliath George

On Time, Place, Preacher

Your committee recommends Rock Springs, Jackson County, as the place, Rev. Ute Jumper, as the preacher, with Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, as alternate, and September 30th to October 3rd, 1937 as the time.

Goliath George
Robert Smith
Johnson Owl

Literature

We recommend to our churches our own Southern Baptist literature, published in Nashville, Tenn. Order from Baptist Sunday School Board there. Our Baptist Book House at Raleigh, N. C., will supply, at lowest cost, any book or Bible published. For only $2.00 a year you can get weekly visits of Biblical Recorder published at Raleigh. Get Charity and Children at $1.00 a year from Thomasville, N. C.

Wm. H. Fitzgerald
Robert C. Smith

Ordained Ministers

We find the list printed on the 2nd page as a correct list of our present ministers.

Russell Hornbuckle
Henry Lossie

Treasurer

On motion business was suspended until 10 o'clock tomorrow. Rev. Vandaley Bradley offered the prayer in dismissal.

SATURDAY MORNING

Moderator presided. He read and commented on I. Cor. 3:1-4. The roll was called. Bethabara's letter was read.

On motion a brief discussion of inquiry as to the number of members in Bethabara and Echota Churches was allowed.

On motion minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Brother W. H. Fitzgerald preached, following singing, and after prayer by Rev. H. M. Hocutt, pastor at Sylva. The text was L. Pet. 2:19-25. Rev. Esiah George concluded with remarks on same text. Right hand of fellowship was given. Robert Smith led in prayer. An offering of $2.35 was received.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Moderator presided, after prayer by Henry Lossie. Brother Clifford Hornbuckle commented on Luke 7:26-28. Brother Hocutt, of Sylva, spoke on John 1:41 emphasizing missions.

On motion the finance committee read the following report:

The total donation of churches for minutes is	$15.00
Total public collections	11.00
Total	$26.00

Your committee now asks the associational messengers to see that every church in the bonds of this body donate next year $3.00 to pay for the printing of minutes.

Ben Bushyhead
Allen Wahneetah
Mose Wilnota

Letter from Macedonia was read. Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald was given a few minutes to talk on Women's work in home and foreign missions, which she did in an interesting way.

On motion it was decided to form an Associational Sunday School Convention, to be organized at Wright's Creek Baptist Church the fourth Sunday afternoon in October, at 3 o'clock. The following report of the Union meeting was made after a talk by Brother Henry Lossie, Chairman:

From September, 1935 on hand	$10.73
No Union Meetings until May, 1936	8.24
Total May, 1936	$18.97
Transferred to Echota Church for repairs	$17.00
Balance	$1.97
Collect from Church	$1.50
Total on hand	$3.47

A public offering of $7.00 was donated after its collection at Zion Hill to repair Zion Hill Church.

Johnson Owl, Treasurer.

On motion a committee of four was appointed to continue to

work with the Union Meeting, consisting of Henry Lossie, Mose Walnota, Johnson Owl, and Goliath George.

On motion all reports were adopted, and the minutes of sessions approved.

On motion the session was closed.

On Sunday Rev. Vandaley Bradley and Rev. Ute Jumper preached to a good audience, and the afternoon was spent in a service of song.

The following recommendation was made by the Executive Committee:

That we request Rev. Wm. H. Fitzgerald, the Missionary from the H. M. B. to investigate the situation at Piney Grove and at Echota and report to the next Association.

Goliath George
Russell Hornbuckle
Ben Bushyhead

Statistical Report of Churches in Cherokee (Indian) Association

For the Associational Year Ending September 30, 1936

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt, and Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Denom. Cont.	Local Contributions	Total
Big Cove	No Pastor	No Superintendent		12		$.	$ 2.35	$ 2.35
Bethabara	William Owl, Bryson City	James Conseen, Whittier	10	135	68	.	13.	13.
Cherokee	Wm. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Mike Walkingstick, Cherokee	1	173	108	153.81	196.69	350.51
Echota	Ute Jumper, Robbinsville	James Conseen, Whittier	1	19	10	.	21.81	21.81
Macedonia	Robert Smith, Cherokee	Joe Crow, Cherokee	1	65	45	.	9.18	9.18
Piney Grove	Arnold Beck, Ravens ford	Tom Sawyer, Ravensford	5	15	18	.	5.	5.
Rock Springs	Robert Smith, Cherokee	Goliath George, Cherokee		91	99	1.02	58.	59.02
Wright's Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle	Russell Hornbuckle, Cherokee	4	33	30	.	54.34	54.34
Yellow Hill	Jonah Lossiah	Mrs. Kamie Wahneetah, "		10	25	.	12.50	12.50
Zion Hill	Esiah George	Jonah Brown, Robbinville	1	9	13	.	9.82	9.82
			23	562	426	$154.83	$382.69	$537.53

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of the

Cherokee Baptist Association

of the

Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians

Held with

ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

SWAIN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SEPTEMBER 30, OCTOBER 1, 2, 3

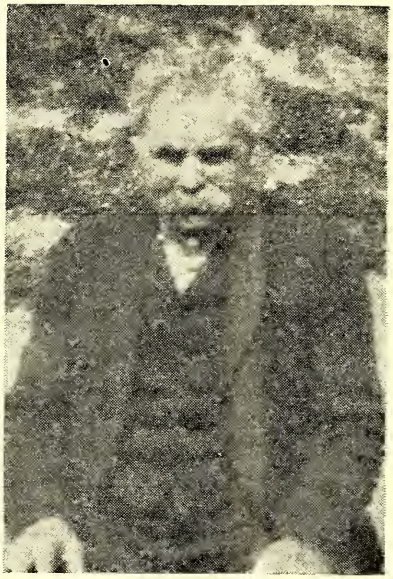
1937

Cherokee Baptist Association . . . Organized 1881

Rev. Ute Jumper, Moderator, Whittier, N. C.

Johnson Owl, Clerk, Whittier, N. C.

Next Session will be held with Zion Hill Baptist Church
Graham County, N. C., September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 1938



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ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Moderator—Rev. Ute Jumper, Whittier, N. C.

Assistant Moderator—Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N. C.

Clerk—Johnson Owl, Whittier, N. C.

Treasurer—Johnson Owl

Interpreter—Goliath George

Historian—Rev. Robert C. Smith, Cherokee, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ute Jumper.....Whittier, N. C.
Andrew Otter.....Whittier, N. C.
W. H. Fitzgerald.....Cherokee, N. C.
Robert C. Smith.....Cherokee, N. C.
Clifford Hornbuckle.....Cherokee, N. C.
William Owle.....Bryson City, N. C.
DeWitt Owle.....Bryson City, N. C.
Gaston Griffin.....Bryson City, N. C.

Signed

Robert Busheyhead

Henry Lossiah

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.

3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion made and seconded.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of such speaker before he proceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.

These Rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the organization of the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
3. Elect Moderator and Interpreter.
4. Appoint committees on arrangements.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondence from sister Associations.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
8. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for Treasurer's report.
12. Hear report regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place for next meeting.
14. Elect Treasurer.
15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.

The Association was called to order by the Assistant Moderator, Clifford Hornbuckle. Brother Ute Jumper preached the introductory sermon, reading John 17:22-26, the same being read in English by Brother Clifford Hornbuckle. W. H. Fitzgerald led in prayer.

On motion that we hold the o'd officers until we get organized prevailed. Motion carried that letters be read, which was done. Brother Robert Smith led in prayer, after a motion to adjourn for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

"There is a Name I love to hear" was sung and Brother DeWitt Owle led in prayer. A motion carried to have the letters corrected. A few minor corrections were made by messengers. Roll was called.

Motion carried to have the constitution read.

After nominations Brother Ute Jumper was chosen as Moderator and Brother Clifford Hornbuckle, Assistant Moderator.

After a song Brother Clifford Hornbuckle led in prayer.

On motion Brother Goliath George was elected Interpreter. Brother Johnson Owl was elected again as Clerk and also Treasurer. Brother Robert Smith was elected as Historian.

The following were appointed as Committee on Arrangements: Jonah Brown, Lloyd Smith, and Goliath George.

The Treasurer reported $2.00 on hand. The report was adopted.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Temperance: W. H. Fitzgerald, Joe Crow and Dewitt Owle.

Time and Place: Henry Lossiah, Joe Crow, Goliath George.

The Committee on Arrangements selected Brother Esiah George to preach at 7:30 at night.

On motion Association adjourned until 9:30 A.M. Friday. After a song Brother DeWitt Owle led in a closing prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Moderator called the meeting to order. A Cherokee Song was sung. The Moderator conducted the devotions, reading I. Cor. 10:15 and commenting on the text. Following another song in Cherokee, Brother Andrew Otter led the prayer.

The Roll was called, and by motion the minutes of Thursday were read and adopted.

A report explained that the Bethabara Church worships by arrangement with the Echota Church, having its own organization in the Echota building, having helped to repair the same, but making no claims to ownership.

On motion the business part of the meeting was adjourned until 1:00 P.M. in order to have preaching.

After a Cherokee song and a prayer led by Brother Joe Crow, Brother Ben Bushyhead read Rom. 10:11-15 and delivered the sermon. Brother Fitzgerald led a closing prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Moderator read Matt. 28:20. The congregation sang a song in Cherokee. Brother Jonas Lossiah led in prayer. The Roll was called.

On motion it was requested that the report of the Missionary on the conditions of Piney Grove Church, and of the relations of Echota and Bethabara Churches be published in the minutes.

Brethren Esiah George and Andrew Otter were selected to preach at 7 P.M. in a night service. Motion carried to adjourn until 9:30 A.M. tomorrow. A song in Cherokee was sung and the hand of fellowship given. Brother Andrew Otter led the closing prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING

At 9:30 the Moderator called the meeting to order by singing with the congregation a song in English. Afterwards he read Colossians 3:12-17. Brother Johnson Owl led in prayer.

On motion the minutes were adopted.

On motion the Moderator was instructed to appoint other committees which he did as follows:

Ordained Preachers—Robert Smith, Henry Lossiah.

Finance—Ben Bushyhead, Mose Wilnota, Allen Wahneetah.

Sunday School—W. H. Fitzgerald, Robert Bushyhead.

Obituaries—Goliath George, William Ross.

Devotions—Allen Wahneetah, Lloyd Smith.

On motion fifteen minutes were given to the committees for conference.

Motion prevailed to close the meeting until 1:00 P.M. Sermons were preached by Brother Andrew Otter, who read John 8:53-59, preached and led in prayer, followed by Brother Esiah George who read and preached from John 21:15. Brother DeWitt Owle led in prayer. Benediction by Brother Andrew Otter.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

"Love Lifted Me," was sung for the opening of the Session. Moderator read Matt. 11:28. Brother Goliath George led in prayer. The roll was called.

The Moderator called for reports of committees.

The committee on Time and Place selected Zion Hill Baptist Church in Graham as the place for next meeting and Brethren Esiah George and Ben Bushyhead to preach the introductory sermon at 10 A.M. on Thursday morning, September 29, 1938.

Reports on Temperance, Obituaries, Ordained Ministers, and Finance were adopted.

A motion prevailed at the request of Finance Committee to ask each church in the Association to bring $2.50 for Minute Fund at our next meeting.

Report on Literature and Sunday School were adopted.

The committee selected Rev. William Anthony to preach a Memorial sermon in honor of our former Moderator, Rev. Vandaly Bradley at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday.

On motion request was made that we give one page to a cut of Brother Bradley in this year's minutes.

Brother DeWitt Owle was appointed to preach tonight.

On motion Brother Andrew Otter was appointed to assist Big Cove Church in the revival of that organization as a church.

Motion prevailed that the minutes be read. These were adopted.

On motion to adjourn a Cherokee Song was sung and the hand of fellowship was extended.

Brother DeWitt Owle led the closing prayer.

ON LITERATURE

We, your committee in Literature, report as follows: We must make the Bible central in our reading. We should read our Sunday School literature from the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee. Any book we need can be had from the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, N. C. The Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, will help us to secure better books for our singing. We should take the Biblical Recorder as our State Baptist Paper. It costs $2 00 per year. We recommend that each Sunday School have a small library for good reading for boys and girls.

Committee.

Robert Bushyhead

W. H. Fitzgerald

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We, your committee, report that every church in the Association, except one, has a Sunday School, and uses Baptist literature. We have now for two years a Sunday School Association meeting on the Third Sunday afternoon at Rock Springs Church at 2:30 P.M. All Sunday Schools are asked to send representatives. Robert Smith is the president and Johnson Owl is the secretary. It is the intention of this meeting to foster interest in all departments of Sunday School work, to help all workers to teach the Bible, and to win the lost to Christ. We believe it is possible for all of our Sunday Schools to become great agencies for advancing the churches in every good work.

Johnson Owl

W. H. Fitzgerald

TIME AND PLACE

We recommend that the next meeting of our Association be held at Zion Hill Baptist Church in Graham County, and that the introductory sermon be preached by Rev. Esiah George and Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

OBITUARIES

"He Giveth His Beloved Sleep."

Big Cove—Going Bird.
Echota—Jackson Otter, Lloyd Owl.
Macedonia—Jeff Hornbuckle.
Rock Springs—Ollie Goins.
Wright's Creek—Rev. Vandaley Bradley.
Yellow Hill—Susannah Blythe, Anna Swimmer.

Committee,
Goliath George
William Ross

TEMPERANCE

The Bible teaches that "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." We are told to "walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying." Baptists have long covenanted not to use as a beverage any intoxicating drinks. Excess always ruins character and influence. Moderate drinking leads to excess almost always. Therefore we advise and warn our people against the manufacture, sale and use of it in any form. By their fruits ye shall know them.

DeWitt Owle
Joe Crow
W. H. Fitzgerald

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We submit the following report:

Bethabara	$ 2.50	
Cherokee	3.00	
Echota	3 00	
Macedonia	2.00	
Piney Grove	.50	
Rock Springs	2.00	
Wright's Creek	2.00	
Yellow Hill	2.00	
Former Associational Fund	2.00	
Public Sunday Offering	4.26	
Total		26.26

For the purpose of printing minutes.

Committee,
Ben Bushyhead
Mose Wilnota
Allen Wahneetah

ORDAINED MINISTERS

We, your committee, find the following ministers in our churches one, Brother Vandaley Bradley having died during the year. These appear in the Directory on page 2.

Committee.
Robert Bushyhead
Henry Lossiah,

Statistical Report of Churches in Cherokee (Indian) Association

For the Associational Year Ending September 30, 1937

CHURCHES	PASTOR AND POST OFFICE	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT and POST OFFICE	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Total Denominational Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Big Cove	Andrew Otter, Whittier	John Wolfe, Ravensford	.....	15	40	.....	$ 5.00	$ 5.00
Bethabara	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	James Conseen, Whittier	1	120	45	.....	111.09	111.09
Cherokee	Wm. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Johnson Owl, Whittier	5	176	118	124.50	256.98	381.48
Echota	Ute Jumper, Robbinsville	.....	2	29	.....	.....	43.45	43.45
Macedonia	Robert Smith, Cherokee	.....	.....	66	61	.....	27.01	27.01
Piney Grove	Arnold Beck, Smokemont	Abel Lossie, Ravensford	.....	15	7	.....	.....	.....
Rock Springs	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Goliath George, Cherokee, N. C.	5	101	99	.....	99.32	99.32
Wright's Creek	Robert Smith, Cherokee	Russell Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N.C.	5	40	50	.....	47.11	47.11
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Mrs. Kamie Wahneetah, Cherokee	.....	10	25	.....	10.15	10.15
Zion Hill	Esiah George, Whittier	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville, N.C.	3	9	21	.....	23.73	23.73
		Totals	21	581	466	124.50	623.84	748.34

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Fifty-Seventh Annual Session

of the

CHEROKEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

Held with the

Zion Hill Baptist Church

GRAHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

September 29, 30, October 1, 2

1938

Cherokee Baptist Association ::-:: Organized, 1881

Rev. Robert C. Smith, Moderator, Cherokee, N. C.

Johnson Owl, Clerk, Whittier, N. C.

Next Session will be held with Echota Baptist Church, Swain County, September 28, 29, 30 October 1, 1939. Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. Robert C. Smith and Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

Associational Directory

Moderator—Rev. Robert C. Smith, Cherokee, N. C.
Assistant-Moderator—Robert Bushyhead.
Clerk—Johnson Owl, Whittier, N. C.
Treasurer—Johnson Owl, Whittier, N. C.
Historian—Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee, N. C.

Ordained Ministers

Ute Jumper ..... Whittier, N. C.
Andrew Otter ..... Whittier, N. C.
W. H. Fitzgerlad ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Robert Smith ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee, N. C.
William Owl ..... Bryson City, N. C.
DeWitt Owl ..... Bryson City, N. C.
Gaston Griffin ..... Bryson City, N. C.

(Signed)JONAH BROWN, JAMES CONSEEN

Rules of Decorum

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The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.

These Rules of Decorum shall be read immedately after the organiaztion of the Association.

Order of Business

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
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5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondence from sister Associations.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
8. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
9. Appoint committee on Temperance.
10. Appoint committee to report on the dead.
11. Call for Treasurer's report.
12. Hear report regular committees.
13. Appoint time and place for next meeting.
14. Elect Treasurer.
15. Provide for printing Minutes.
16. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
17. Miscellaneous business.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

On call to order the moderator read John 20:19-24 with comments. Brother Johnson Owl led in prayer.

On motion Rev. Robert Smith was elected moderator and Brother Robert Bushyhead as assistant moderator.

On motion Brother Johnson Owl was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion W. H. Fitzgerald was elected Historian.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to the officers.

Following this letters were read from the following churches, amounts given, and messengers, reporting as follows:

Cherokee—$2.50, Johnson Owl, W. F. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Fitzgerald, and David Catt.

Bethabara—$1.80, Sam Bradley, Jim Conseen.

Yellow Hill—$2.00, Henry Lossie, Nannie Screamer, Donny Owl.

Wright's Creek—$2.00, Loyd Smith, Mose Wilnota, Robert Smith.

Macedonia—$2.00, Robert Smith.

Zion Hill—$2.50, Jonah Brown, Nancy Ledford.

Echota—$2.50, Ben Bushyhead, Robert Bushyhead, Allen

Wahyanetta, Andrew Otter, Nancy Bushyhead, Ruth Bushyhead.

On motion the following were named as an Executive Committee:

Ben Bushyhead, W. H. Fitzgerald, Jim Conseen, Henry Lossie, Loyd Smith, Dewees Bradley, May Blythe, Jonah Brown, Ute Jumper, Aggie Lossie.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—Ben Bushyhead, Mose Wilnota.
Sunday Schools—Johnson Owl and W. H. Fitzgerald.
Temperance—Allen Wahyanetta and Jim Conseen.
Obituaries—Ute Jumper and Loyd Smith.
Time and Place—Allen Wahyanetta and Mose Wilnota.
Finance—Robert Bushyhead and Ben Bushyhead.
Literature—W. H. Fitzgerald.
Ordained Ministers—James Conseen and Jonah Brown.
Denominational Work—W. H. Fitzgerald, Johnson Owl.

The committee appointed Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Esiah George to preach at night

The minutes were read and adopted.

Motion to adjourn until next day at 10 o'clock was carried.

Henry Lossie led in prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The moderator called the meeting to order, reading Acts 2:1-8 for the Scripture lesson. Rev. Ute Jumper led in prayer.

After roll call the committee on arrangements announced Rev. Ute Jumper as preacher for the morning session.

After a song in Cherokee, Brother Robert Bushyhead led in prayer. "Amazing Grace" was sung in Cherokee and the preacher delivered his message from II Cor. 6:11-18.

After another song and handshake the association adjourned for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Brother Esiah George led the devotional, reading Mark 9:1-10 with comments. A Cherokee song was sung. Brother Esiah George led in prayer.

On a motion and second that the churches bring $2.50 each

for minutes and expenses to our next association, or their letters will not be honored.

On motion the treasurer made his report.

Collected as follows:

From churches this year	21.56
Former funds	6.26
Total	27.82

JOHNSON OWL, Treasurer

SUBSTITUTE ART. V.

On motion the body recommends and passes as Article IV in the Constitution the following:

On motion 30 minutes were allowed to committees to prepare for reading reports. A song in Cherokee was sung and motion made to hear committee reports, allowing proper comments by chairmen.

After singing and prayer reports on Temperance, Literature and Denominational Work were heard.

Rev. Carl W. Rogers was recognized and spoke on the Biblical Recorder.

Adjourned with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING

After singing Cherokee hymns Moderator called meeting to order Brother Robert Bushyhead read Matt. 9:35-38 with comments.

Brother Allen Wahyanetta led in prayer.

Roll was called.

On motion finance committee's report was read and adopted.

On motion and second a committee of three was appointed by the Moderator to amend Article IV in the Constitution.

Committee apointed was Ben Bushyhead, Mose Wilnota, and Johnson Owl.

Report on Obituaries was accepted.

At 11 o'clock W. H. Fitzgerald was asked to preach. After singing Cherokee hymn and reading of Luke 22:39-48 with comments by Robert Smith, Brother Fitzgerald preached on Acts 2:1-25, especially the 16th verse. Brother Ute Jumper led in prayer, and in singing a Cherokee hymn as the hand of fellowship was extended.

Brother Ben Bushyhead led in a closing prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After a song in Cherokee Moderator called meeting to order. Brother Mose Wilnota led devotional reading John 3:1-16.

Rev. Ben Bushyhead led in prayer. The roll was called.

The reports on Literature, Denominational Work and Sunday School were read and adopted.

The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion association adjourned until next association on Thursday before the first Sunday in October.

Closing prayer by W. H. Fitzgerald.

On motion it was decided that we give space for pictures of Rev. Andrew Otter and Rev. Ute Jumper if these can be obtained.

SUNDAY MORNING

After Sunday School Rev. Ute Jumper read I Thess. 4:14-17 and preached. He was followed by Rev. Ben Bushyhead who spoke from I Cor. 3:1-11. An offering was taken.

In good fellowship the meeting closed with prayer and handshake.

In the afternoon Cedar Cliff Class and Piney Grove English and Cherokee singers, the Catolsti family quartette, Birdtown Cherokee singers and Zion Hill English class gave a good song service.

Rev. Ute Jumper offered the closing prayer.

ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTED REPORTED:

Thursday night—Esiah George and Robert C. Smith.
Friday A. M.—Ute Jumper
Friday night—Esiah George.
Saturday A. M.—Robert Smith and W. H. Fitzgerald.
Saturday night—Henry Lossiah and Esiah George.
Saturday collection was $2.31.
Sunday A. M.—Jumper and Ben Bushyhead.
Sunday collection was $2.44.

BEN BUSHYHEAD
MOSE WILNOTA
Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

No better book exists than the Bible. We ought to read it and study it and teach it to our children every Sunday. No church can afford to be without a Sunday School. We should teach the Bible also in our homes. We should study the quarterlies with the Bible. We should also study how to teach the Bible so that we might be able to lead our children to Christ and help them to overcome all the wrongs about them.

JOHNSON OWL

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee, on Temperance report: The Bible says in Genesis that Noah drank of the wine and was drunken. Proverbs 20:1 says: "Wine is a mocker." Baptists have long covenanted not to use as a beverage any intoxicating drink. Excess always ruins character and influence.

ALLEN WAHYANETTA
JIM CONSEEN

OBITUARIES

We, your committee, find two beloved brethren and two sisters who have passed on to sleep and rest in Jesus since the last association.

Echota—Charlotte Owl Powell and William Ross.
Wright's Creek—Johnson Thomson.
Bethabara—Sallie Welch.

LLOYD SMITH,
REV. UTE JUMPER,
Committee

TIME AND PLACE

We recommend that our next meeting place will be with the Echota Baptist church in Birdtown, Swain County, N. C.

The introductory sermon be preached by Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Ben Bushyhead at 10 A. M.

MOSE WILNOTA,
ALLEN WAHYANETTA

This is to take place on Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct., 1939.

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JOHNSON OWL
W. H. FITZGERALD.

DENOMINATIONAL WORK

The Missionary Baptist of the South are interested in every good work. Seven great departments are named:

Home Missions, the work in the 18 Southern states and Cuba.

Foreign Missions, in seventeen different countries where need is greatest.

State Missions, all over North Carolina and among weak churches.

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Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C.

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W. H. FITZGERALD

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Piney Grove	No Pastor	Tom Sawyer, Ravensford		No report				
Rock Springs	DeWitt Owl, Bryson City	Goliath George, Cherokee	2	104	104	.58	62.08	62.66
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Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Mrs. Kamie Wahyanetta, Cherokee		10	43		14.21	14.21
Zion Hill	Josiah George, Robbinsville	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville		6	26		14.50	14.50
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15. Elect Treasurer.
16. Provide for printing Minutes.
17. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
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Ordained Ministers

We, your committee on ordained ministers, find the following ordained ministers in our Association:

Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Andrew Otter ..... Whittier, N. C.
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Robert Smith ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Willie Owle ..... Bryson City, N. C.
Rev. DeWitt Owle ..... Bryson City, N. C.
Rev. Gaston Griffin ..... Bryson City, N. C.
Rev. G. George ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. William Welch ..... Cherokee, N. C.

JAMES SMITH,
LLOYD SMITH,
Committee

After singing a hymn the Moderator read Matt. 25:1-13.

Brother Ute Jumper led in prayer.

Rev. Robert Smith preached on Luke 10:42: "One thing is needful". Brother Ben Bushyhead sang a song and concluded the sermon hour. He read L Cor. 12:1-31 in Cherokee language. Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald Missionary commented on spiritual work. Brother Ute Jumper spoke on the life of the association. While singing a song the hand of good fellowship was given. Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

A Cherokee song was led by Brother Esiah George.

On call to order the moderator read Acts 1:14-22.

Rev. Esiah George led in prayer.

The roll was called and the following messengers and the amounts brought for minutes are as follows:

Bethabara—Dave McCoy, Jim Conseen, Jim Lambert, $2.50

Big Cove—Walter Bradley, James Smith, Joe Wolfe, Cain Ross, Buck West, Louis Armachain, Morgan French, Mose Welch $2.50

Cherokee—H. N. Lambert, Johnson Owle, Cain Saunook, Mrs. Anderson Saunook, Mrs. Candler Queen, W. H. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Fitzgerald $2.50

Echota—Allen Wahiyaneeta, Ben Bushyhead, Lloyd Lambert, James Wallace, John Walkingstick, Robert Bushyhead, Andrew Otter $2.50

Macedonia—Mary Blythe, Mary Jackson, Joe Crow $2.50
Piney Grove—No report.
Rock Springs—Wm. Welch, Goliath Gorge, Jeff Arneach, John Maney, Morona French, Bessie George..... $2.50
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Yellow Hill—Enoch Owle, Israel Davis, Henry Lossie, Nannie Screamer $2.50
Zion Hill—Esiah George, Nancy Ledford, Jonah Brown..... $2.50

After the reading of letters the following officers were elected by messengers present:

Rev. Robert C. Smith, Moderator
Rev. Wm. Welch, Assistant-Moderator
Johnson Owl, Clerk in English
Mose Welch, Clerk in Cherokee
Johnson Owl, Treasurer
W. H. Fitzgerald, Historian
Merona French, Interpreter.

Committee on Arrangements—Dave McCoy, Allen Wahiyaneeta.

On Sunday School—Russell Hornbuckle, Israel Davis.

On Temperance—H. N. Lambert, Enoch Owle.

On Obituaries—Israel Davis, Buck West.

The treasurer's report was adopted.

Time and Place Committee—Walter Bradley, Henry Lossie.

A motion was made and seconded that the denominational work be hereafter a regular order and placed in the order of business. It was passed unanimously.

Committee on Finance—Ben Bushyhead, James Conseen.

Ordained Ministers—James Smith, Lloyd Smith.

Denominational Work—Wm. Fitzgerald, Russell Hornbuckle.

Brother Esiah George was appointed to preach at night, and Wm. Welch tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

The minutes were read and adopted. Adjournment was ordered until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Rev. Wm. Welch led in a closing prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING

"Amazing Grace" was by Brother Merona French. The Moderator read Acts 3:1-8 for devotional lesson. Brother DeWitt Owle led in prayer. The Moderator delivered a sermon on I Sam. 17:37.

Rev. Willie Welch before the regular preaching hour gave a

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES
FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEA

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	
Bethabara	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Sam I
Big Cove	Ute Jumper, Whittier	Mose
Cherokee	Wm. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Johns
Echota	Ute Jumper, Whittier	Allen
Macedonia	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Charle
Piney Grove	No report	
Rock Springs	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	John
Wright's Creek	Willie Owle, Bryson City	Martin
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Mrs. F
Zion Hill	Esiah George, Robbinsville	Jonah

CHURCHES	CLERK	TRE
Bethabara	Sam Brady, Bryson City	Sam Brady
Big Cove	Mose Welch, Ravensford	Cain Ross,
Cherokee	H. N. Lambert, Cherokee	Mrs. W. H.
Echota	Allen Wahiyaneeta, Whittier	Allen Wahi
Macedonia	Emaline Cucumber, Cherokee	Mrs. Mary
Piney Grove	No Report	
Rock Springs	Meroney French, Cherokee	Jeff Arnea
Wright's Creek	Albert Crow, Cherokee	Mose Witn
Yellow Hill	Nannie Screamer (deceased)	Enoch Owl
Zion Hill	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	Jonah Bro

CHEROKEE - INDIAN - ASSOCIATION
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S.S. Supt & Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Member	S.S. Member.	Denom. Cont.	Total Den. Con.	Grand total Den.
y, Bryson City	15	163	62		9.40	9.40
ch, Buck Welch, Ravens.	21	53	51		7.67	7.67
)wle, Whittier	13	174	159	49.48	246.15	295.63
iiyaneeta, Whittier		26	15		13.53	13.53
shelman, Cherokee		63	64		69.20	69.20
ey, Cherokee	17	130	132		113.57	113.57
iith, Cherokee	7	60	47		75.97	75.97
'ahnetah, Cherokee	14	36	61		52.62	52.62
wn, Robbinsville		5	16		30.50	30.50
	87	710	607	49.48	618.61	668.09

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

RER	Pastor's Salary	GAINS: Day of Meet.	GAINS: Letters	GAINS: Statements	GAINS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Deaths	Wkly. Pray. Meet.	Reviv. Meet. Held During Year	Observ. of Lord's Supper during Yr.
yson City	9.40	2	1		2	1	1		yes	
ensford	2.37	1			17			yes	yes	
gerald, Cher	H. B.	All	1		2	12	1	yes	yes	2
eta, Whittier	9.03	3			2				yes	
he, Cherokee	11.30	4					3		yes	
Cherokee	27.83	1	5	2	6	3	1	yes	yes	1
Cherokee	16.50	2		3		1	1	yes	yes	4
erokee	14.41	2	6	1	6	1		yes	yes	1
Robbinsville	8.00	3							yes	

good testimony of God's grace in his life. Then he preached on Luke 6:19-49 for Scripture lesson.

The roll was called.

A song was sung by the congregation during which time a collection of $1.75 was taken. Brother Henry Lossie led in prayer.

Adjournment for dinner.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Singing led by Brother Ben Bushyhead. Devotional was conducted by Rev. Andrew Otter reading I Tim. 1:8 and following with a prayer. On motion the various committees were given time to prepare their reports. These were all made under careful attention.

On motion discussion was allowed on the report on Temperance, Denominational Work, Literature, Obituaries and others as desired.

On motion all were adopted. On motion Brother Andrew Otter was asked to give a report on the Big Cove Church served by him a few years ago. He gave an interest account of the work.

On motion further report on Big Cove was laid aside until tomorrow.

The committees selected Brother Ute Jumper to preach tonight and Brother DeWitt Owle tomorrow at 11 A. M. Report adopted.

SATURDAY MORNING

Rev. Willie Welch led in devotions reading the first chapter of James. The moderator led in prayer. The roll was called. The Big Cove report was again taken up. Ben Bushyhead read the report of Brother Otter in Cherokee. Brother Otter explained in Cherokee what he was trying to do to get the church on a better basis. On motion thanks were extended to Brother Otter and he was relieved of further obligation. Motion prevailed to have finance committee's report which was adopted. W. H. Fitzgerald read the Historian's report which was adopted. On motion a member from each church was asked to serve with the Historian. The following were appointed, others to be named later, Ben Bushyhead, Israel Davis, Mrs. Israel Davis, William Welch, John Walkingstick, Rev. Ute Jumper.

On motion an executive committee consisting of one member from each church is appointed, the churches to endorse in each case.

Rev. Wm. Welch, Rock Springs

James Conseen, Bethabara
Mary Jackson, Macedonia
James West, Yellow Hill
Buck West, Big Cove
Robert Smith, Wright's Creek
Nancy Ledford, Zion Hill
Abel Lossie, Piney Grove
Rev. Ute Jumper, Echota
Roy French, Straight Fork.

Motion was carried to insert the picture of Rev. Ute Jumper and Rev. Andrew Otter in the minutes of this year.

On motion Brother Andrew Otter was allowed $5.00 for his services at Big Cove.

On motion Brother Goliath George was elected as Sunday School Missionary for the year.

On motion ten dollars was allowed Big Cove No. 2 and fifteen dollars to Straight Fork for building.

The minutes were read and adopted. The committee report Brother DeWitt Owle to preach tonight and Brother Goliath George and Brother Willie Owle on Sunday morning. Adopted.

On motion the business of the association was closed for this session. Brother Willie Welch led the closing prayer.

DENOMINATIONAL WORK

We are a part of the great Convention of Southern Baptists. We have as great liberties and responsibilities as any other association of churches according to our talents and opportunities. We, too, can win souls. We can teach what Jesus wants said and done. We can read and seek to understand the Bible. We can sing and pray. We can give. We can have a part in all good work of making Christ known to men. We can help the orphan children. We can make the old preachers more comfortable. We can help support hospitals for the needy sick. We can educate our children and our preachers. When we give a dime or a dollar we can make it whirl around the world doing good—if we give it to the Cooperative Program of our Baptist People.

Next year we must have a contribution from every church for the missionary work. The only way we can get rich is to lend a little money to the Lord and refuse to spend money for what will do us no good.

JOHNSON OWL,
W. H. FITZGERALD.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We your committee report that every church in the Association has a Sunday School except one, which is at present inactive. All use Baptist literature. We have a monthly Sunday Association well attended on each third Sunday afternoon. Robert Smith is the president this year and Mrs. Goliath George is secretary. Its object is to foster interest in all the Sunday Schools and to cooperate with the denomination. To improve our knowledge of the Bible, to seek the lost and build up the saved, are the ends to be reached. The Sunday School should have a missionary objective and ought to make a monthly contribution to the Orphan's Home at Thomasville and to our cooperative program. The Sunday School Board at Nashville will be glad to cooperate with us in making better conditions.

JOHNSON OWLE,
W. H. FITZGERALD.

LITERATURE

We, your committee, recommend that we have our own literature from the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.

We also make the following suggestions:

1. Every Christian should have a Bible and read it daily.
2. We ought to and should study the Sunday School quarterly with the Bible.

BUCK WEST,
ENOCH OWLE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

All the Sunday School should have literature and the Bibles to study every day. We must study the Bible more than anything else. We must teach the young children more about Jesus so they may be able to stand for their Lord.

So we must be able to lead our children to Christ and help them to overcome all the wrong about them.

And we should study the quarterlies with the Bibles. No church can afford to be without a Sunday School in it.

Since the Sunday School is a church agency, its officers and teachers should be elected by the church and its work should e regularly reported to the church.

ISRAEL DAVIS.

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, report that the Bible says in Isiah chapter 28:7: "But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way: the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink; they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment."

ENOCH OWLE,
H. N. LAMBERT.

FINANCE

We, your committee on Finance, inform this Association what is done this meeting and urge that more be done for the next Association. We also recommend that amended "Article 4" be printed in the Constitution. We submit the following report:

Former funds	$5.32
Bethabara	2.50
Cherokee M.	2.50
Macedonia	2.50
Wright's Creek	2.50
Zion Hill	2.50
Big Cove	2.50
Echota	2.50
Piney Grove	0.00
Rock Spring	2.50
Yellow Hill	2.50
Total	$27.82
Public collection	2.35
Grand total	$30.17

BEN BUSHYHEAD,
JIM CONSEEN,
Committee

HISTORICAL REPORT

There is a considerable broken history of the Cherokee Baptist people. It runs far back of a hundred years into the native hills and valleys of Georgia, Tennessee, and North Carolina even before the migration to the West.

Like the white churches it has been hard to preserve church

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We are now on the way to collecting historical material in the form of church minutes, associational minutes, remembrances of the old preachers, and sketches of missionary work among the Cherokees as found in old religious papers and magazines, with here and there doubtless references in old files of newspapers, reviews, and minutes of contemporary white associations in the early days. In fact, before a good story of Cherokee Baptist History can be written we must get the materials ready actually or in a list of references that will enable us to make a good survey. To this end your historian would ask for a committee of old and of young men to see that such materials are gathered as found possible and kept on record with the clerk of this association. We have on file already several copies of past minutes of the association which should as early as possible be made complete and carefully preserved.

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J. WALTER BRADLEY,
HENRY LOSSEE,
Committee

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Big Cove Baptist Church
Big Cove, N. C., Ocotor 3, 1940

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association met according to the time set and the house was called into session by the Assistant Moderator. He then conducted the devotional service. The messengers present were then seated in working order and the officers for the next year were elected as follows: Rev. Robert Smith reelected as Moderator; Rev. Sibbald Smith, Clerk; Johnson Owl as Treasurer; Ben Busheyhead as Interpreter; Rev. Goliath George as Sunday School Missionary, and he was reelected as Assistant Moderator.

11 o'clock service, sermon was preached by Rev. Sibbald Smith, "Faith, Not the Law, a Ground For Justification,", Gal. 3:11. Adjourned for the noon hour.

THURSDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional by Moderator. Letters were then called for from the churches and the following were received:

Bethabera, Noah Lucust, Golman Smith, Soloman Owl, Messengers, Association Fund.....$2.50
Big Cove, Morgan French, Buck West, James Smith. Moses Welch, Johnson Wolfe, Eli Wolfe, Jess Swayney, Louis Armachain, John Walkingstick, Sam Walkingstick..... $2.50
Cherokee, Sibbald Smith, Johnson Owl, Hugh Lambert, Irene Bradley, Salola Lossie, Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald, Ida Lee Cooper, Mrs. C. T. Lloyd.....$2.50
Echota, Ben Busheyhead, Robert Busheyhead, Nancy Busheyhead, Ruth Busheyhead, Riley Ledford, Caroline Conceene, Ollie Jumper $2.50
Macedonia, Nick Bradley, Joe Bradley, Edith Bradley, Chester Raby, Joe Crow, Mary Blythe, Emmeline Cucumber $2.50
Piney Grove, Will Tesateski, Sallie Tesateski, Jesse Lossie $2.50

Rock Spring, Rev. William Welch, Maroney French, Dewese Bradley, James Riley..... $2.50
Wrights Creek, Lloyd Smith, Albert Crow..... $2.50
Yellow Hill, Israel Davis, David Davis, Shepard Squirrel, Enoch Owl.
Zion Hill, Jona Brown, Woodie Rattler $2.50

The body was then seated in order and the business of the association was continued. A vote of sympathy was extended to the bereaved family of Brother David Blythe after a motion to adjourn until 10:00 Friday was lost.

The following officers and committees on the different phases of the work were then approved by a unanimous vote.

Rev. Robert Smith, Moderator.
Rev. Goliath George, Asst. Moderator.
Rev. Sibbald Smith, Clerk.
Mr. Johnson Owl, Treasurer.
Mr. Ben Busheyhead, Interpreter.
Rev. Goliath George, Sunday School Missionary.
By Moderator Appointment:
James Smith, Robert Busheyhead, Committee Arrangements.
H N. Lambert, Will Tesateski, Denominational Work.
Johnson Owl, Jim Conseene, Sunday Schools.
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Temperance.
Lloyd Smith, James Riley, Obituary.
James Smith, James Riley, Time and Place.

By motion and second the Rev. J. C. Pipes, of Asheville, was granted an opportunity to address the body on the general work of the Southern Baptists. By motion and second all other committees be the same as last year unless present members have refused to serve. Moved to adjourn until 10:30 Friday.

FRIDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment and after singing "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood" devotional was conducted by Lloyd Smith (Luke 13:3-9) after prayer by Brother Smith. A sermon was deliver by Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Hab. 2:4. Minutes were then called for, read and approved. Moved to continue until 12:30. Carried.

1:30 P. M.

Devotional conducted by Enoch Owl (Isa. 50:1-2). House then declared ready for business by motion and second Brother Nick Bradley was substituted for Brother Jim Conseene on Com-

mittee Finance. Committee as follows: Nick Bradley, Ben Busheyhead.

By motion and second a letter from Brother Jim Pickeup, Oklahoma, was read.

Reports from the committees were then received as follows:

FINANCE REPORT

We, your committee on Finance, respectfully report our findings until date and we urge that more be done for the next year. We also recommend that Article 4 of our Constitution be amended so as to read "The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment and sending $3.00", instead of $2.50 as last year.

Funds on hands	$0.67
Bethbara Minute fund	2.50
Cherokee Minute fund	2.50
Big Cove Minute fund	2.50
Macedonia Minute fund	2.50
Wrights Creek Minute fund	2.50
Zion Hill Minute fund	2.50
Echota Minute fund	2.50
Piney Grove Minute fund	2.50
Rock Spring Minute fund	2.50
Yellow Hill	2.50
By public collection	4.00
By Brother Johnson Owl	1.25
Brother Fitzgerald	3.00
Enoch Owl	1.00
Total	$34.87

Each church promises to pay in treasury $1.00. By order of body the sum of $10.00 is paid out for clerk's fees. Grand total on hands with the $10.00 promised by the churches, $34.87.

We respectfully recommend that $2.00 be appropriated for a record book.

NICK BRADLEY,
BEN BUSHEYHEAD,
Committee

The report was duly read and unanimously adopted, then the following reports were received and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

The Bible is a book on temperance, temperance in everything.

But the Christian view of temperance in strong is abstinence for others' sake as well as for our own sake and Jesus' sake. The Bible declares that "Whosoever is deceived by it is not wise." We need to refuse to drink it and vote against it when we have a chance. Let us pray for a sober country and a sober people and try to bring the same to pass in our beloved State of North Carolian.

W. H. FITZGERALD,
Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL

No church can afford to be without a Sunday school, turn to Luke 14th chapter, 23rd verse. Jesus said, "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in that my house may be filled."

JOHNSON OWL,
Committee

TIME AND PLACE

We, the committee appointed, find that our next meeting will be with the Macedonia Baptist church beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1941. Rev. Will Welch and Rev. DeWitt Owl will preach at 11 o'clock.

JAMES SMITH,
JAMES RALEIGH,
Committee

MISSIONARY WORK

The Cherokee Baptists belong to the Southern Baptist Convention which carries on missionary work in 18 Southern States and many foreign countries. All that is given by us is used in missionary work among the Indians in Oklahoma, Arizonia, New Mexico, and other states. Therefore, we, your committee, recommend that the churches of this association give every opportunity, and raise all the money possible, for the good work.

HUGH LAMBERT,
WM. TEESATESKI,
Committee

OBITUARY

We find that three beloved brothers and three sisters have passed on to the Blessed Rest in Jesus since the association last met.

Echota Church—Sister Maggie Long and Brother Wilson Ross.

Yellow Hill—Sister Nannie Screamer and Sister Rosie Owl.
Macedonia—Brother Allen Youngbird.
Zion Hill—Brother John Tesateski.

LLOYD SMITH,
JAMES RILEY,
Committee

Upon motion and second the following members from the different churches were appointed to collect and turn into the Treasurer the sum of $1.00 from each church the money to be used in the general Baptist program. Collection to be paid before the 1st of November.

Bethabara, Noah Locust
Cherokee, W. H. Fitzgerald
Macedonia, Nick Bradley
Rock Spring, James Riley
Yellow Hill, Enoch Owl
Big Cove, Buck West
Echota, Ben Busheyhead
Piney Grove, Will Tesateski
Wrights Creek, Robert Smith
Zion Hill, Jona Brown

A motion with a second was then presented to the body to raise the minute fund from $2.50 to $3.00 each church passed unanimously.

Moved and seconded to change the amount in the Section 4 of Constitution carried.

The minutes of the whole work for the two days was then called for and read, and adopted.

The body then entered into a round table discussion of the needs of the church. Rev. Fitzgerald brought a soul-stirring message on the revival of the "Christ" Spirit; Rev. Sibbald Smith continued the discussion and started a collection resulting in the sum of $2.00 with a pledge from the body that they would give more to their churches. Brother Ben Busheyhead made an appeal to the faithful to sacrifice for the cause. The whole body was moved by the spirit and did testify to the love of their Christ.

Moved and seconded to adjourn until 10:30 Saturday, carried.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10:30

Devotional by Ben Busheyhead John 14:1-6. House declared ready for business. The 11 o'clock hour being on, the Rev. Esiah George, Romans 6:1-7, rpeached to the Cherokee

speaking members, Adjourned for noon hour.

1:15 P. M.—By motion of the Missionary Rev. Fitzgerald the matter of pastor's salary was discussed but no definite plan was reached. Preacher Smith brought a message on tithing and Brother Busheyhead continued the message in the Cherokee language.

Moved and seconded that we add to Article 3 the following: after chosen by churches, messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over. Carried.

During the meetings the body was visited by the Rev. James Crain, missionary to Mexico First Baptist Church, Austin, Texas; Mrs. McHearen, Sunday school worker for the State of Texas; and Miss Edith Carden, missionary vol., Austin, Texas; and the Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Pipes of the State Mission Board, Asheville, N. C.

The body then joined in an old time farewell handclasp and the business part of the meeting was adjourned until the time and place appointed.

The night service was turned over to the pastor as was the Sunday service, it being the regular church service appointment.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

We, your committee on Ordained Ministers, find the following ordained ministers in our association:

Rev. Ute Jumper	Whittier
Rev. Andrew Otter	Whittier
Rev. Sibbald Smith	Whittier
Rev. Robert Smith	Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George	Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Cherokee
Rev. Wm. Welch	Cherokee
Rev. Herman Ensley	Cherokee
Rev. Gaston Griffin	Bryson City
Rev. DeWitt Owle	Bryson City
Rev. Willie Owle	Bryson City
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Missionary	Cherokee

JAMES SMITH,
LLOYD SMITH,
Committee

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN CHEROKEE - INDIAN - ASSOCIATION

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1940

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt & Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Memshp.	S. S. Mem'ship	Denom. Cont.	Total Den. Con.	Grand Total Den.
Bethabara	Fred Roland, Bryson City	Quincy Owl, Whittier	11	177	45		17.50	17.50
Big Cove	Goliath George, Cherokee	Buck West, Ravensford	6	64	56	4.11	55.51	59.62
Cherokee	Wm. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Johnson Owl, Whittier	3	175	144	106.35	252.59	358.94
Echota	Goliath George, Cherokee	Quincy Owl, Whittier		26	21		24.15	24.15
Macedonia	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Joe Bradley, Cherokee	28	161	51	2.00	80.82	82.82
Piney Grove	Esiah George, Robbinsville	Abel Lossie, Cherokee	4	6	29	1.00	4.25	5.25
Rock Springs	DeWitt, Owle, Bryson City	Wm. Welch, Cherokee	1	130	110	4.00	106.27	110.27
Wright's Creek	William Owle, Bryson City	Jacob Maney, Cherokee	5	64	72	1.00	60.60	61.60
Yellow Hill	DeWitt, Owle, Bryson City	Kamie Wahneetah, Cherokee	6	48	93		163.75	163.75
Zion Hill	Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville		6	9		11.40	11.40
			64	857	630	118.46	776.84	853.65

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JARRETTE BLYTHE

Present Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

REV. ANDREW OTTER

One of our oldest preachers

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Rules of Decorum

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.

3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion made and seconded.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of such speaker before he preceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.

These rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the organization of the Association.

Constitution

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Baptist Association.

ART. II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this, to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ART. III. This Association shall be composed of Messengers chosen by the churches and all messengers are expected to remain until the business sessions of the meeting are over unless excused by the body. All ministers who are members of the churches thereof shall be members of the body.

ART. IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment and sending $3.00, each annual session to accompany with credential otherwise will not be honored. Also a statement of funds raised for the Pastor's salary, incidential expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year, and these letters must be in on the first day of the Association.

ART. V. The offices of the Assoiation shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected annually by the Association.

ART. VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberatoins of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion after others have spoken or when called upon and to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all porceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ART. IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall persent her petition at an early session of this assembly through her delegates appointed for that purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

ART. X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and to extend to them all privileges except voting.

ART. XI. The annual session of this body shall commence on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ART. XII. Will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

Order of Business

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Read letters and enroll delegates.
3. Elect Moderator and Interpreter.
4. Elect Clerk, Treasurer and Historian.
5. Appoint committee on arrangements.
6. Appoint committee on denominational work.
7. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.
8. Appoint committee on Temperance.
9. Appoint committee on Ordained Ministers.
10. Appoint committee on Time and Place.
11. Appoint committee on Finance.
12. Appoint Obituary Committee.

13. Call for Treasurer's report.
14. Hear report regular committees.
15. Appointment time and place for next meeting.
16. Provide for printing Minutes.
17. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
18. Miscellaneous Business.

Macedonia Baptist Church,
Cherokee, N. C., Oct. 2, 1941

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association met according to the time set and the house was called into session by the Moderator. He then conducted the devotional service, reading Matt. 5:1-12 and commenting on same. Rev. Sibbald Smith, led in prayer. The Moderator then called for the letters of the churches, the letters were presented all bringing $3.00, each for minute funds. The Moderator then turned the services over to Rev. Wm. Welch, and Rev. DeWitt Owle, who preached the introductory sermons. Rev. Wm. Welch preached in the Cherokee language using as his scripture reading 1st Cor. the 10th chapter, and Rev. DeWitt Owle, preached in English using as his scripture reading Matt. 4:1-11, both preaching wonderful sermons. Adjourned until 1:30 for lunch.

THURSDAY 1:30 P. M.

Devotional by Ben Bushyhead, scripture reading 2nd Tim. 15-16. Letters were then read from the different churches as follows:

BETHABARA—Rev. Arthur Locust, Rev. Lloyd Rolland, and David McCoy, Messengers Associatoin fund $3.00

BIG COVE—Buck West, Morgan French, Jess Swayney, Louis Armachain, Cain Ross, Mose Welch, Johnson Wolfe, Mose Walkingstick, Eli Wolfe, John Walkingstick, Meroney French, Cinda Welch, Susie West, Doris West, Lucy Walkingstick, Messengers Association fund 3.00

CHEROKEE—Hugh N. Lambert, Mrs. Arkansas, Dewey Tarquette, Mrs. C. T. Llyod, Johnson Owle, Irene Bradley, J. B. Lambert, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Lucile Washington, Messengers Association fund 3.00

ECHOTA—Ben Bushyhead, Nancy Bushyhead,

Robert Bushyhead, Carolina Conseen, Stacy Owle, Ollie Jumper, Messengers Association fund 3.00

MACEDONIA—Nick Bradley, Jack Jackson, Joe Bradley, DeWitt Owle, Jarrett Bradley, Jess Teleskie, Messengers Association Fund..... 3.00

PINEY GROVE—William Owle, Jesse Lossie, Henry Lossie, Wm. Teesateskee, Messengers Associational Fund 3.00

ROCK HILL—Rev. Esiah George, Henry Lossie, Messengers Association Fund ..... None

ROCK SPRINGS—Jarrett Blythe, Rev. Goliath George, John Maney, James Riley, Robert Bigmeat, Nan Smith, Sarah Arneach, Annessa Maney, Bessie George, Charlotte Bigmeat, Pearl Saunooke, Messengers Association Fund 3.00

STRAIGHTFORK — Runningwolfe Sequoyah, Mollie Sequoyah, Lloyd Sequoyah, Messengers Association Fund 3.00

WRIGHTS CREEK—Russell Hornbuckle, Deacon Lloyd Smith, Messengers Association Fund..... 3.00

YELLOW HILL—Iseral Davis, Sheppard Squirrel, Arch Miller, Jim West, Will French, Kamie Wahnetah, Ella West, Messengers Association Fund 3.00

ZION HILL—Jonah Brown, Ike Jackson, Tom Colonaheskie, Winnie Teesateskie, Nancy Ledford, Messengers, Association Fund 3.00

The body was then seated in order and the business of the Association was continued. Motion made and sustained by a Second that we hear the reading of the letter from our Sister Association to the Rock Hill Baptist Church, letter read by Clerk. Motion made and second that we receive the Rock Hill Baptist Church into full fellowship of the Association, while a song was sung Rock Hill was given the right hand of full fellowship into the Association. All letters were then approved and officers for the next year were elected and approved by a unanimous vote as follows:

Rev. Robert Smith, Moderator.

Mrs. Ella West, Clerk.
Mr. Johnson Owle, Treasurer.
Mr. Morgan French, Interpreter.
Rev. Goliath George, Sunday School Missionary.
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Historian.
Arrangemnt Committee, Robert Bushyhead, Eli Wolfe.
Denominational Committee, H. N. Lambert.
Sunday School Committee, Mrs. Bessie George, and Mrs. Kate Arkansas.
Temperance Committee, Rev. DeWitt Owle, and Russell Hornbuckle.
Obituary Committee, Mason Walkingstick, and Rev. Arthur Locust.
Committee on Ordained Ministers, Henry Lossie, and Joe Bradley.
Finance Committee, Morgan French, and Ben Bushyhead.
Time and Place, Mick Bradley and Robert Bushyhead.

Moved and sustained by a second that we give Rev. E. F. Baker, of Andrews, permission to speak to the Association on the Baptist Paper and its importance in every home.

Moved and sustained by a second that the Moderator be given the authority to give any person representing legitmate work the privilege of speaking during our Association limiting the time to 30 minutes. Moved and second to adjourn until Friday morning at 10:00.

FRIDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment and after a song service, devotional and prayer was led by Brother Robert Bushyhead, (Proverb 14:1-12). A motion was made and sustained by a second to retain Rev. Goliath George, as Sunday School Missionary. Roll Call and Visiting Brethren invited to seats. The 11 o'clock service was preached by Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald. (Eph. 2:22). Rev. Esiah George was asked to preach the 15 minutes that remained until 12, he preached in the Indian Language. Eph. 2:1-7). Motion made and seconded to adjourn for lunch.

1:30 P. M.

Meeting opened with a song service led by Rev. Ute Jumper. Devotional was conducted by Rev. Lloyd Rolland, reading 1st John 4:1 and prayer led by Rev. DeWitt Owle. The house was then declared ready for business, by motion and second Zion Hill and Straightfork's letter was read and adopted. Moved and sustained

by a second that we receive Straightfork Church into full fellowship of the Association, while a song "Bless Be The Tie" was sung they were given the right hand of full fellowship into the Association. Brother Will French, read the Constitution in the Indian Language. The services were then turned over to Rev. J. C. Pipes, of Asheville, who preached from the 15th chapter of St. John, he delivered a wonderful message that was uplifting spiritually to everyone that heard him. Minutes for the two days were then called for, read and adopted.

By motion and second the following reports were read and adopted unanimously.

DENOMINAL WORK

We are a part of the convention of Southern Baptist and it is our duty and privilege to help in all denemonational work. Missionary Baptist have always believed in spreading the Gospel by sending out missionaries at Home and abroad and we should support this work in every possible way. Missionary Baptist also believe in Education and have many colleges and Seminaries throughout the South and we should help to support them as we have means to do so. Let us be about "Our Fathers Business" while we have time and opportunity.

HUGH N. LAMBERT, Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We find after visiting with several of the Superintendents of Sunday School that the best way of enlarging your attendance is by visiting them in their homes and various places, don't stop asking them to come back to Sunday School until they come.

MRS. KATE ARKANSAS, MRS. BESSIE GEORGE, Committe

TEMPERANCE REPORT

The cause of temperance is not a dead issue. The wets have got ahead of us and seem in the majority in our state, but with all the accidents we are having and with our boys in camp where liquor is flowing so freely we need to emphasize in our churches and everywhere the scriptual teaching to abstain from strong drink. Wine is a mocker-strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. (Proverb).

REV. DeWITT OWLE, RUSSELL HORNBUCKLE, Committee

OBITUARY

We find that eight sisters and six brothers have passed on to

the Blessed Rest in Jesus since the Association last met.

BIG COVE: Sister Nancy Welch and Brother William Wolfe.

PINEY GROVE: Sister Laura Lossiah and Brother James Welch.

MACEDONIA: Brothers Dave Blythe and Adam Long.

YELLOW HILL: Sister Margarette French.

BETHABARA: Sister Susie Brady.

ECHOTA: Sister Sallie Wallace.

ROCK SPRINGS: Sister Mary J. Bradley, and Brother Carl Standingdeer, Jr.

ROCK HILL: Brother Jonas Lossie.

ZION HILL: Sister Woody Rattler.

STRAIGHTFORK: Sister Elnora Wolfe.

REV. ARTHUR LOCUST, MASON WALKINGSTICK,
Committee

ORDAINED MINISTERS

We, your committee on Ordained Ministers, find the following ordained ministers in our association:

Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Whittier
Rev. Andrew Otter.... Whittier, (Shawnee, Okla.)
Rev. Sibbald Smith ..... Whittier
Rev. Robert Smith ..... Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George..... Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee
Rev. William Welch ..... Cherokee
Rev. Herman Ensley ..... Cherokee
Rev. Gaston Griffen ..... Bryson City
Rev. DeWitt Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Willie Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald ..... Cherokee
Rev. Esiah George ..... Whittier
Rev. Sigley Ned ..... Whittier
Rev. Enoch Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Ben Bushyhead ..... Whittier
Rev. Arthur Locust ..... Bryson City
Rev. Lloyd Rolland ..... Bryson City

JOE BRADLEY, HENRY LOSSIAH, Committee

FINANCE REPORT

We, your committee, submit the following report. Our finding up to date and we urge that more be done for the next year and

each church continue in sending $3.00 annually for funds.

Funds on hand	$3.82
Bethabara	3.00
Big Cove	3.00
Cherokee	3.00
Echota	3.00
Macedonia	3.00
Piney Grove	3.00
Rock Springs	3.00
Wrights Creek	3.00
Yellow Hill	3.00
Zion Hill	3.00
Straightfork	3.00
Rock Hill	None
TOTAL	$36.82
PAID OUT	8.00
BALANCE	$28.82

MORGAN FRENCH, BEN BUSHYHEAD, Committee

TIME AND PLACE

We, the committee appointed, find that our next meeting will be with the Yellow Hill Baptist Church beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1942, at 10:00 A. M. Rev. William Welch and Rev. DeWitt Owle will preach at 11:00 o'clock.

Moved and seconded to adjourn until Saturday at 10:00 o'clock. Meeting adjourned with a prayer led by Brother Pipes.

SATURDAY

The house was opened with a song service and the devotoinal and prayer was led by Rev. Ben Bushyhead. (Romans 2:4-5). It was voted unanimously that the Association authorize the clerk to write Rev. Andrew Otter, who is in the Sanitorium, at Shawnee, Oklahoma, a letter. Moved and sustained by a second that we borrow the picture of Rev. Andrew Otter and Chief Blythe and have it inserted in the minutes. Rev. Ben Bushyhead preached the 11 o'clock service (Romans 2:1-4). The 35 minutes that remained before 12 o'clock was turned over to Rev. Lewis of Hendersonville who spoke from Isa. 63:1-5 this message was received with much interest and we are always glad to have these

visiting brethren with us as it always gives us an inspiration to carry on and do greater things for the Lord. Voted unanimously to adjourn for lunch.

1:00 P. M.

The meeting opened with a song service led by Rev. Ute Jumper. Devotional and prayer led by Brother Nick Bradley, (Luke 8:4-8). Moved and sustained by a second that the clerk be given $6.00 hereafter for the purpose of financing the expense of seeing to the printing of the Minutes and buying writing material. The services were then turned over to Rev. Lewis of Hendersonville who discussed the Lord's Acre movement. Brother Lewis' talk was very interesting and we are hoping that our churches will adopt this movement.

The Arrangement committee reported that Rev. Enoch Owle, would preach the evening service at 7 o'clock and Rev. D. Owle, would preach at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning. The letter to Rev. Andrew Otter was read, adopted and mailed to Rev. Andrew Otter. It was voted unanimously that we appoint an executive committee and the moderator as Chairman of this committee and one member of each church be appointed to work with the chairman. Moved and sustained by a second that the minutes of the day be read and after being read they were adopted unanimously. It was moved and sustained by a second that the business part of the meeting be adjourned until the time and place appointed by the Time and Place Committee. Meeting closed with a benediction by Rev. Goliath George.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN CHEROKEE (INDIAN) ASSOCIATION

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1941

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt. & Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Memshp.	S. S. Membership	Total Denom. Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Ethabara	Fred Rolland, Bryson City	No S. S.		177			3.80	3.80
Big Cove	William Welch, Cherokee	Buck West, Ravensford		62	112		78.65	78.65
Cherokee	W. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Saloli Lossiah, Cherokee	7	182	123	123.63	583.40	707.03
Echota	Goliath George, Cherokee	W. L. French, Cherokee		42	45	4.06	19.95	24.01
Macedonia	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Joe Bradley, Whittier	1	87	44	5.82	119.82	125.64
Piney Grove	Enoch Owle, Cherokee	Jesse Lossiah, Cherokee		6		1.25	12.65	13.90
Rock Hill	Esiah George, Whittier	Peter Thompson, Whittier		37	39		2.40	2.40
Rock Springs	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Goliath George, Cherokee	5	134	130	2.50	202.92	205.42
Straightfork	Esiah George, Whittier	Lloyd Sequoyah, Ravensford	2	50	66		25.00	25.00
Wrights Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Jacob Maney, Cherokee	1	65	64		107.78	107.78
Yellow Hill	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Kamie Wahnetah, Cherokee	4	54	92	1.75	119.35	121.10
Zion Hill	William Welch, Cherokee	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	10	23	22		50.89	50.89
		TOTALS	30	919	737	139.01	1326.61	1465.62

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of the

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8. Appoint committee on Temperance.
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11. Appoint committee on Finance.
12. Appoint Obituary Committee.
13. Call for Treasurer's report.
14. Hear report regular committees.
15. Appointment time and place for next meeting.

16. Provide for printing Minutes.
17. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
18. Miscellaneous Business.

Yellow Hill Baptist Church,
Cherokee, N. C., Oct. 1, 1942.

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association opened with a song service and the house was called into session by the Moderator, and prayer led by Rev. Robert C. Smith. It being time for the 11 o'clock service the meeting was turned over to Rev. Wm. Welch, who preached in the Cherokee language using as his scripture reading 1st Cor. the 10th chapter 1st to 12th verse and Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, preached in English using as his scripture reading 1st Cor. 10:1-12 both preaching wonderful sermons that were uplifting spiritually. Adjourned until 1:00 P. M. for lunch.

THURSDAY 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with a song service, and devotional led by Rev. Ben Bushyhead, scripture reading 1st Tim. 1:13-16. Letters were then read from the different churches as follows:

BETHABARA—Rev. Fred Rolland, Rev. DeWitte Owle, and Bro. Jim Parker. Messengers Association funds $3.00

BIG COVE—Buck West, Rev. Will Welch, Bro. Morgan French, Bro. Johnson Wolfe, Bro. Mose Welch, Messengers Association funds $3.00

CHEROKEE—Bro. Johnson Owle, Bro. Saloli Lossiah, Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Sister Mattie Welch, Messengers Association funds 3.00

ECHOTA—Bro. Robert Bushyhead, Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Sister Nancy Bushyhead, Sister Mabelle Sequoyah, Messengers Association funds..... 3.00

MACEDONIA—Bro. Jack Jackson, Bro. Noah Cucumber, Bro. Nick Bradley, Bro. Joe Bradley, Sister Edith Bradley, Sister Mary Jackson, Sister Nannie Blythe, Sister Polly Long, Sister Nola Teliskie, Sister Betty L. Bradley, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

PINEY GROVE—Bro. Henry Lossiah, Bro. Jess Armachain, Sisters Lillian Lossiah, Sallie Crowe, and Aggie Lossiah, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

ROCK HILL—Bro. David Wade, Bro. Peter Thompson, Rev. Esiah George, Sister Nannie Wade, Sister Rachel Taylor, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. Wm. Welch, Rev. Goliath George, Brothers Jeff Arneach, Robert Bigmeat, Deweese Bradley, John Maney, Jarrett Blythe, Sisters Nan Smith, Corrie Robinson, Lizzie Tollie, Maude Welch, Bessie George, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

STRAIGHTFORK—Bro. Runningwolfe Sequoyah, Bro. Lloyd Sequoyah, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

WRIGHTS CREEK — Brothers Mose Wilnota, John Smith, Russell Hornbuckle, Sam Maney, Rev. Herman Ensley, Rev. Robert Smith, Sisters Lily Hornbuckle, Rachel Hornbuckle, Mary Wilnota, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

YELLOW HILL—Brothers Iseral Davis, Bill Moody, Joe Johnson, Peter Knottytom, Budge Smith, Sheppard Squirrel, Jim West, Sister Ella West, Messengers Association funds 3.00

ZION HILL—Brothers Ike Jackson, Johan Brown, Sam Brown, Jonah Teesateskie, Sister Winnie Teesateskie, Messengers, Association funds 3.00

The body was then seated in order, the business of the Association was continued. All letters were then approved and officers for the next year were elected and approved by a unanimous vote as follows:

Rev. Robert Smith, Moderator.
Mrs. Ella West, Clerk.
Mr. Johnson Owle, Treasurer.
Rev. Wm. Welch, Interpreter.
Rev. Robert Smith, Sunday School Missionary.
Rev. Wm. Welch, Historian.
Arrangement Committee, Nick Bradley.
Denominational Committee, Mrs. Maude Welch, and Mrs. Bessie George.
Sunday School Committee, John Maney, Mrs. Stella Davis.
Temperance Committee, Rev. Wm. Welch.
Committee on Ordained Ministers, Mose Wilnota, Sam Maney.

Time and Place Committee, Calvin Lossiah, John Smith, Iseral Davis.

Finance Committee, Jim West, Ben Bushyhead.

Obituary Committee, Rev. Fred Rolland, Sheppard Squirrel.

The Association received a very interesting letter from Rev. Andrew Otter of Shawnee, Okla. The Arrangement Committee made the following report, Rev. Tom Davis would preach Thursday night at 8:30 and Rev. Fred Rolland and Rev. Esiah George would preach Friday at 11 A. M. Rev. Willie Owle to preach Friday at 8:30 P. M. Rev. Sheppard Squirrel to preach Saturday morning at 11 A. M. and Rev. Enoch Owle to preach Saturday night at 8:30. Rev. DeWitt Owle to preach Sunday at 11 A. M.

Moved and sustained by a second to adjourn until Friday morning at 10:00.

FRIDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment and after a song service, devotional and prayer was led by Brother Ike Jackson. Scripture reading Matt. 6:1-6. It being time for the preaching services the meeting was turned over to Rev. Esiah George, who preached in Indian using as his scripture reading Romans 6:1-14 and Rev. Wm. Welch preached in English. Adjourned until 1 o'clock for lunch.

FRIDAY 1 P. M.

The afternoon session opened wtih a song service and devotion and prayer led by Jonah Teesateskie using for his scripture reading John 14:2. The house was then declared ready for business. By a motion and second the following reports were read and adopted unanimously.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

We, your Committee on Ordained Ministers, find the following ordained ministers in our Association.

Rev. Andrew Otter..... Shawnee, Okla.
Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Whittier
Rev. Esiah George ..... Whittier
Rev. Sigley Ned ..... Whittier
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald..... Cherokee
Rev. Sibbald Smith ..... Whittier
Rev. Robert Smith ..... Cherokee

Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle..... Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George ..... Cherokee
Rev. William Welch ..... Cherokee
Rev. Herman Ensley ..... Cherokee
Rev. DeWitt Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Willie Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Gaston Griffin ..... Bryson City
Rev. Enoch Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Ben Bushyhead ..... Whittier
Rev. Arthur Locust ..... Bryson City
Rev. Lloyd Rolland ..... Bryson City
Rev. Fred Rolland ..... Bryson City

MOSE WILNOTA, SAM MANEY, Committee

DENOMINATIONAL COMMITTEE

We, being a part of the Southern Baptist Convention, it is our duty to support the Missionary work, and in spreading of the Gospel by giving to the support of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, to Orphanages and to the aged Ministers support. We see by the statistical report of the Cherokee Indian Association that a very small amount has been contributed to this work. Let us awake to the sense of our duty. The Master said, "In as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me." And we recommend that every Church member subscribe for the Biblical Recorder.

MRS. MAUDE WELCH, and MRS. BESSIE GEORGE, Com.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

As committee on Temperance I find in God's word—The advice of wisdom Proverbs 23:31, "The drunkard and glutton shall come to poverty and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." Advice of Daniel's example in Dan. 1:8, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the King's meat nor with the wine which he drank." Advice of Romans 14:21, "For the sake of others, it is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak." And in 1st Peter 2:11-12 and Proverb 31:4-5, temperance is required for man's highest spiritual good. 11 verse, "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which was against the soul; 12 verse, "Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."

Prov. 31:4, "It is not for Kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: 5th, "Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted." (Be ye temperate in all things).

REV. WILLIAM WELCH, Committee

TIME AND PLACE

We, the time and place committee, submit the following place for the next association. To be held with the Rock Hill Baptist Church beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1943, at 10:00 A. M. with Rev. William Welch and Rev. DeWitt Owle, to preach the introductory sermon at 11:00 o'clock.

ISERAL DAVIS, JOHN SMITH, CALVIN LOSSIAH, Com.

Moved and sustained by a second that we appoint three licensed ministers to visit the different churches within the bounds of our association. The following ministers were appointed:

Rev. Sheppard Squirrel
Rev. Ike Jackson
Rev. Dave Davis.

Minutes for the day read and adopted. Moved and seconded to adjourn until Saturday at 10:00 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING

The morning session was opened with a song service, and prayer led by Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle. The devotion was conducted by Rev. Dave Davis using as his scripture reading Matt. 5:14-17. The remaining part of the hour was spent in open discussion by the messengers. The meeting was then turned over to Rev. Sheppard Squirrel, who preached in English using for his scripture reading Matt. 18:11-15 Rev. Wm. Welch preached in English, using the same scripture reading. Both preached wonderful sermons. Adjourned for lunch until 1:00 P. M.

SATURDAY 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with a song service and devotional led by Bro. Mose Wilnoty, using for his scripture reading Acts 3:1-12 and prayer led by Bro. Robert Bigmeat.

The following reports were then read and adopted by a unanimous vote.

FINANCE REPORT

We, your committee, submit the following report as we find

it to the best of our knowledge up to the present date. And furthermore we do and hereby recommend that each church send $3.50 next year for minute funds:

Bethabara	$3.00
Big Cove	3.00
Cherokee	3.00
Echota	3.00
Macedonia	3.00
Piney Grove	3.00
Rock Springs	3.00
Rock Hill	3.00
Straightfork	3.00
Wrights Creek	3.00
Yellow Hill	3.00
Zion Hill	3.00
Special collection	$36.00
For Rev. Andrew Otter	3.25
Total	$39.25
Paid out	9.25
Balance	$30.00

JIM WEST, BEN BUSHYHEAD, Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your Sunday school committee, find that we are having good Sunday schools with only two churches in our association not having Sunday school. We urge the teachers and officers of the different Sunday schools to visit the homes in your community to enlarge your attendance. We are commanded to "study to show thyself approved unto God" and the Sunday school is one place we can come together to study God's word. Let us be about the Lord's business and make this coming year a great Sunday school year. We have our Sunday school convention the 3rd Sunday of every month with good attendance considering the traveling difficulties.

JIM WEST, ROBERT BIGMEAT, Committee

OBITUARY

We find that these Brothers and Sisters have passed on to the Blessed Rest in Jesus since the association last meet:

Cherokee—Bro. Ammous Owle

Echota—Bro. Sampson Welch
Piney Grove—Bro. Tom Sawyer
Rock Springs—Sister Viney Smith
Straightfork—Sister Nettie Swayney
Wrights Creek—Sister Sallie Crowe, Sister Rossie George and Deacon Lloyd Smith
Yellow Hill—Brother Wilson Featherhead.

SHEPPARD SQUIRREL, FRED ROLLAND, Com.

Moved and sustained by a second that the minutes of the day be read and after being read they were adopted unanimously.

Moved and sustained by a second that we adjourn the business part of the meeting until the time and place set for our next association.

The meeting was closed with a benediction by Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN CHEROKEE (INDIAN) ASSOCIATION

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1942

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt & Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Total Denom. Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Bethabara	Gaston Griffin, Bryson City	No S. S.		177			3.00	3.00
Big Cove	William Welch, Cherokee	Buck West, Ravensford		62	28	8.00	60.35	68.35
Cherokee	W. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Saloli Lossiah, Cherokee	3	188	144	171.07	180.35	351.42
Echota	Goliath George, Cherokee	Quincy Owle, Whittier		41			92.48	92.48
Macedonia	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Jack Jackson, Cherokee	1	96	45		152.47	152.47
Piney Grove	Enoch Owle, Cherokee	No S. S.	2	36			5.41	5.41
Rock Hill	Esiah George, Whittier	Dave Wade, Whittier		40	23		28.04	28.04
Rock Springs	DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Goliath George, Cherokee	7	142	104		247.75	247.75
Straightfork	Esiah George, Whittier	Lloyd Sequoyah, Ravensford	2	48	64		15.00	15.00
Wright Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Albert Crowe, Cherokee	2	64	62		129.79	129.79
Yellow Hill	DeWitt, Bryson City	Kamie Wahnetah, Cherokee	2	55	84	4.37	115.59	119.96
Zion Hill	William Welch, Cherokee	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	6	46	38		151.27	151.27
		TOTALS	25	995	592	183.44	1181.50	1364.94

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Rock Hill Baptist Church,
Cherokee, N. C., Sept. 30, 1943.

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THURSDAY, 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with a song service and devotion led by Rev. Ben Bushyhead, scripture reading 1st Psalm. Prayer led by Bro. Jim Parker. Letters were then read from the different churches as follows:

BETHABARA—Bro. Jess McCoy, Bro. Bobbie Owl, Bro. Jim Parker.

Association funds $3.50

BIG COVE—Brothers Morgan French, Mason Walkingstick, Johnson Wolfe, Mose Welch, Sisters Manda Walkingstick, Eva Bradley, Juanita Bradley, Susie West,

Association funds $3.50

CHEROKEE—Brothers Johnson Owle, and Alfred Walkingstick,

Association funds $3.50

ECHOTA—Brothers Allen Wahiyahneeta, Johnson Owle, Lloyd Lambert, Epps Welch.

Association funds $3.50

PINEY GROVE—Brother Henry Lossie.

Association funds $3.50

MACEDONIA—Brothers Jack Jackson, Nick Bradley, John Bradley and Sisters Betty Bradley, Nannie Blythe, Mary Blythe.

Association funds $3.50

ROCK HILL—Brothers Henry Lossie, David Wade, and Sister Rachel Taylor.

Association funds $3.50

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. Wm. Welch, Rev. Goliath George, Brothers Jeff Arneach, Deweese Bradley, John Maney, Noah

Teesateskie, Oliver Smith, Jarrett Blythe, Sisters Annessa Maney, Lizzie Tolly, Sara Arneach, Maude Welch.

Association funds $3.50

STRAIGHTFORK—Brother Runningwolfe Sequoyah, Sisters Mollie Sequoyah, Emmaline Panther.

Association funds $3.50

WRIGHTS CREEK—Brothers John Smith, Jake Maney, Russell Hornbuckle, Albert Crowe, Mose Wilnota, Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle.

Association funds $3.50

YELLOW HILL—Brothers Peter Knowwytom, Iseral Davis, Jim West, Sheppard Squirrel, Will French, Willie Standingdeer, Cain Screamer, Enoch Owle and Sisters Cecelia Miller, Rachel Ammons, Margarette Davis, Josie Standingdeer, Ollie Owle, and Ella West.

Association funds $3.50

ZION HILL—Brothers Jonah Brown, Ike Jackson, Jonah Teesateskie.

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Mrs. Johnson Owle, Treasurer.
Rev. Wm. Welch, Interpreter.
Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Goliath George.
Sunday School Missionaries.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian.
Arrangement Committee, Mrs. Margarette Davis.
Denominational Committee, Rev. Esiah George and Rev. Ben Bushyhead.
Sunday School Committee, Allen Wahnetah, and Rev. Robert Smith.
Temperance Committee, Alfred Walkingstick.
Committee on Ordained Ministers, Henry Lossie.
Time and Place Committee, Jarrett Blythe, Annessa Maney, and Rev. Esiah George.
Finance Committee, Rev. Ben Bushyhead.
Obituary Committee, Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald.

The Arrangement Committee made the following report: Rev. Ben Bushyhead to preach Thursday night at 8:00, and Rev. Esiah George and Rev. Sheppard Squirrel at 11 A. M. Friday; Rev. Enoch

Owle and Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle to preach Friday night at 8:00 o'clock; Rev. Willie Owle and Rev. Ike Jackson Saturday morning at 11; Rev. Dewitte Owle Saturday night at 8:00; Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Ute Jumper Sunday morning at 11. The Association received a very interesting letter from Rev. Andrew Otter, of Shawnee, Okla.

Moved and sustained by a second to adjourn until Friday morning at 10:00.

FRIDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment and after a song in Indian devotion and prayer was led by Brother Johnson using for his scripture reading 2nd Thes. 2:13-17. It being time for the 11 o'clock service the meeting was turned over to Rev. Esiah George, who preached in Indian using as his scripture reading Romans 4:1-10. While a song was being sung an old time hand shake was given. Adjourned until 1 o'clock for lunch.

FRIDAY, 1 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with a song service by the Rock Hill Choir. Devotion led by Brother Runningwolfe Sequoyah. By a motion and second the following reports were read and adopted unanimously:

DENOMINATIONAL

We, your committee on denominational work, find by the statistical report of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association, that a very small amount was contributed to this work. It is our duty to help. The Baptist Co-Operative program is planned whereby Baptist work together to carry on the great program of Jesus in evangelizing, teaching and developing the human race as taught by Jesus, Matt. 28:19-20, Act 1:8. We recommend that each church give opportunity for an offering to this great Co-Operative work at least once a month.

REV. ESIAH GEORGE,
REV. BEN BUSHYHEAD,
Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL

In looking over the Sunday School reports we find only one Church in our Association not having Sunday School. In our Sunday Schools we teach and study God's word. We are commanded to bring our children up in the fear and admonition of the Lord and by bringing them to Sunday School we help them to know God and His wonderful works. We urge the officers and teachers

of the different Sunday Schools to visit more in the homes of your community and see if all can't be enrolled in some Sunday School.

BRO. ALLEN WAHNETAH,
REV. ROBERT SMITH,
Committee

OBITUARY

The following Brothers and Sisters have gone to their Heavenly reward:

BETHABARA—Deacon Henry McCoy, Sister Sallie Crowe, Sister Grace Walkingstick.

BIG COVE—Sister Lillie Wolfe.

CHEROKEE—Brother Austin Wahnetah.

ECHOTA—Sister Caroline Wahnetah.

MACEDONIA—Brother Will Reed and Sister Bessie Wright.

ROCK HILL—Sister Nannie Welch.

ROCK SPRINGS—Sister Ethel Queen, Sister Mary Crowe, Sister Mary Tahallah, and Sister Mary Ratliff.

WRIGHTS CREEK—Sister Mary Hornbuckle.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS

As a committee on Ordained Ministers, I find the following ordained ministers in our Association:

Rev. Robert Smith ..... Cherokee
Rev. Arthur Locust ..... Bryson City
Rev. Lloyd Rowland ..... Bryson City
Rev. Fred Rowland ..... Bryson City
Rev. Gaston Griffin ..... Bryson City
Rev. Ben Bushyhead ..... Whittier
Rev. Andrew Otter ..... Shawnee, Okla.
Rev. Sibbald Smith ..... Whittier
Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Cherokee
Rev. Esiah George ..... Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George ..... Cherokee
Rev. William Welch ..... Cherokee
Rev. Herman Ensley ..... Cherokee
Rev. Dewitte Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Enoch Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Sneppard Squirrel ..... Cherokee
Rev. Willie Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald ..... Cherokee

Rev. Sigley Ned ..... Whittier

HENRY LOSSIE, Committee

TIME AND PLACE

We, the time and place committee, submit the following place for the next Association:

To be with the Echota Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1944, at 10:00 A. M. (EWT) with Rev. Wm. Welch and Rev. Ben Bushyhead preaching the introductory sermon at 11:00 A. M.

JARRETT BLYTHE, ANNESIA MANEY, REV. ESIAH GEORGE, Committee

Minutes of the day were then read and adopted by a unanimous vote.

It was moved and sustained by a second to adjourn until Saturday morning at 10. Adjourned with a benediction by Rev. Esiah George.

SATURDAY MORNING

The morning session was opened with a song in Cherokee, prayer led by Rev. Dewitt Ghickililee. Devotion and prayer led by Brother Johnson Owle, using for his scripture reading John 14:12-21.

Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald made a brief report on the progress made by the churches in our Association.

It being time for the 11 o'clock services the meeting was turned over to Rev. Ike Jackson and Rev. Willie Owle. Rev. Ike Jackson preached in Indian using as his scripture reading Rev. 5:1-40. Rev. Willie Owle preached in English using as his scripture reading John 14:1-8 both bringing wonderful messages. While a song was being sung a Christian hand shake was given.

Adjourn for lunch until 1 P. M.

SATURDAY 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session began with a song service by the Rock Hill choir and prayer led by Rev. Sheppard Squirrel. Devotion conducted by Brother Oliver Smith, using for his scripture reading 1st Cor. 13 chapter. The following reports were then given:

Your committee on temperance submits the following report:

This is a subject which Baptists and many others have not discussed sufficiently as we should on account of its great importance.

We realize and know that the church's greatest enemy of today is alcoholic beverages. What are the Baptists going to do in this crisis?

TEMPERANCE

1. We can keep ourselves as far as possible from the poison.

2. We can teach our children and others to abhor it in any way.

3. We can deal with those backsliders in our churches who drink.

4. We can all pray for the deliverance of those who have their souls poisoned by strong drink.

We read in Prov. 20:1 that "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 23:29-36, "Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? Who hath contentions? Who hath complaining? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine. They that go to seek out mixed wine. Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it sparkleth in the cup, when it goeth down smoothly, at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.

Strong drink kills annually tens of thousands of American citizens, puts many times more in prisons and wrecks thousands of homes.

ALFRED WALKINGSTICK, Committee

HISTORIAN

The first church was organized 1851 which is known as the Echota Baptist church, located in Birdtown township by a young minister whose name was Alfred Corn. He preached among the Indians without pay or help of the State Mission. He organized two churches, Echota and Buffalo church in Graham County, and these two churches are still in existence. The Cherokee Baptist Association was organized 1881, and these churches abound to the Association derived from the Echota Baptist Church, the following names: Yellow Hill, Macedonia, Big Cove, Piney Grove, Rock Springs, Zion Hill, Wrights Creek, Straightfork, Rock Hill, Bethabara, and the Mission.

The Mission Church at Cherokee, N. C., built in the year 1922, by the Home Mission Board. The first Missionary that was sent out to the Indians by the Home Mission Board, was Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Lee. They served among the Indians sixteen years, 1917-1933.

Rev. W. F. Sinclair, who succeeded Rev. Lee, served two years, 1933-1935. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald, who succeeded W. F. Sinclair, are still on duty.

In our Association last year there was a total church membership of 995, with a total Sunday School enrollment of 592, 403 less people enrolled in Sunday School than the total church membership.

To what worthier cause could our united influence be lent?

To what holier service could a Christian life be devoted?

Respectfully submitted,
REV. BEN BUSHYHEAD, Committee

FINANCE

I submit the following report on finance to the best of my knowledge to this present date. I further urge each Church to send to the Associaiton $3.50 for the minute funds next year:

Bethabara	$3.50	
Big Cove	3.50	
Cherokee	3.50	
Echota	3.50	
Macedonia	3.50	
Piney Grove	3.50	
Rock Springs	3.50	
Rock Hill	3.50	
Straightfork	3.50	
Wrights Creek	3.50	
Yellow Hill	3.50	
Zion Hill	3.50	
	$42.00	
Public collection	2.19	
Public collection	7.25	
Collection for aged ministers	18.15	
	$69.59	
Clerk's expense		6.00
Aged Ministers		18.15
		$24.15
BALANCE ON HAND	$45.44	

Respectfully submitted,
REV. BEN BUSHYHEAD, Committee

A report was given by Rev. Ike Jackson and Rev. Sheppard Squirrel, on the work they had done the past year as Missionaries.

It was moved and sustained by a second that these same men be appointed as missionaries for the coming year. A letter was sent to the aged ministers and each given $6.02.

Minutes for the day were then read and approved by a unanimous vote. It was moved and sustained by a second that we adjourn the business part of the meeting. Meeting adjourned with a benediction by Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN CHEROKEE (INDIAN) ASSOCIATION

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1943

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S Supt. & Postoffice	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Total Denom. Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	GRAND TOTAL
Bethabara	Rev. Willie Owle, Cherokee		11	189			48.16	48.16
Big Cove	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Mrs. Manda Walkinstick, Cherokee	2	63			34.98	34.98
Cherokee	Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald, Cherokee	Johnson Owle, Whittier	19	204	128	228.75	223.95	452.70
Echota	Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Whittier	Lloyd Lambert, Whittier	4	47	70	10.00	105.03	115.03
Piney Grove	No Pastor	No Sunday School		36			12.50	12.50
Macedonia	Rev. DeWitte Owle, Bryson City	Nick Bradley, Cherokee	2	95	44	12.00	127.83	139.83
Rock Hill	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Dave Wade, Whittier	1	40	20		70.99	70.99
Rock Springs	Rev. Dewitte Owle, Bryson City	Rev. Goliath George, Cherokee	3	141	114	7.88	535.61	543.49
Straightfork	Rev. Esiah George, Cherokee	No Report	4	62			16.52	16.52
Wrights Creek	Rev. C. Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Jacob Maney, Cherokee	5	65	69		159.98	159.98
Yellow Hill	Rev. Dewitte Owle, Bryson City	Joe Johnson, Cherokee	5	62	84	15.88	177.65	193.53
Zion Hill	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	2	47	22	10.00	108.68	118.68
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Associational Directory

Moderator.....Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee, N. C.
Clerk ..... Mrs. Ella West, Cherokee, N. C.
Treasurer..... Mr. Johnson Owle, Whittier, N. C.
Historian .....Rev. J. Jeter Johnson, Cherokee, N. C.

Associational Missionaries—Rev. DeWitt Owle, Rev. Enoch Owle

Rules of Decorum

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.

3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion made and seconded.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of such speaker before he proceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permisson from the body.

7. The Association shall begin at 10 A. M. (EWT) and close at 3 P. M. (EWT).

8. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjurnment of the Association.

These rules of decorum shall be read immediately after the organization of the Association.

Constitution

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Baptist Association.

ART. II. The object of this Association shall be, the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this, to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ART. III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches and all messengers are expected to remain until business session of the meetings are over unless excused by the body. All ministers who are members of the churches there of shall be members of the body.

ART. IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters

certifying their appointment and sending $3.50 each annual session to accompany with credential otherwise will not be honored. Also a statement of funds raised for the Pastor's salary, incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year, and these letters must be in on the first day of the Association.

ART. V. The offices of the Association shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected annually by the Association.

ART. VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; perserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ART. IX. Any Church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her delegate appointed for that purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

ART. X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and to extend to them all privileges except voting.

ART. XI. The annual session of this body shall commence on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ART. XII. Will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll delegates.
2. Elect Moderator and Interpreter.
3. Elect Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Appoint committee on Denominational work.
5. Appoint Arrangement committee.
6. Appoint committee on Sunday Schools.

7. Appoint committee on Temperance.
8. Appoint committee on Ordained Ministers.
9. Appoint committee on Time and Place.
10. Appoint committee on Finance.
11. Appoint Obtiuary committee.
12. Appoint Sunday School Missionary.
13. Introductory Sermon.
14. Call for Treasurer's report.
15. Hear report regular committees.
16. Provide for printing minutes.
17. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
18. Miscellaneous Business.

Echota Baptist Church
September 28, 1944

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association opened with a song service in Indian. The meeting was called into session by the Moderator, and the devotion was conducted by Rev. Robert Smith, using as his scripture reading Hebrew 2:1-10. Prayer led by Brother Frank Griffin. Letters from the churches were read and the following messengers were enrolled.

BETHABARA—Bro. Frank Griffin, Bro. Sam Bradley, Bro. Goldman Smith, and Bro. Noah Locust.
Association funds $3.50

BIG COVE—Bro. Meroney French, Bro. Buck West, Sister Susie West, Sister Amanda Walkingstick.
Association funds $3.50

CHEROKEE—Bro. Johnson Owle, Rev. J. Jeter Johnson, Sister Nan Smith, Sister Mattie Welch, Sister Beulale Tahquette.
Association funds $3.50

ECHOTA—Bro. Allen Wahyahneeta, Bro. Tahquette Wallace.
Association funds $3.50

MACEDONIA—Bro. Nick Bradley, Bro. Jack Jackson, Bro. Joe Bradley, Bro. James Taylor, Sister Mary Blythe, Sister Nannie Blythe, Sister Lizzie Taylor.
Association funds $3.50

PINEY GROVE—Bro. Jonah Feather Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Henry Lossie, Bro. William Feather, Bro. William Teesateskey.
Association funds $3.50

ROCK HILL—Bro. Peter Thompson, Bro. Jim Conseen, Bro. Dave Wade.

Association funds $3.50

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Rev. Goliath George, Rev. Wm. Welch, Bro. Robert Bigmeat, Bro. John Maney, Bro. DeWeese Bradley.

Association funds $3.50

STRAIGHTFORK—Bro. Running Wolf Sequoyah, and Sister Mollie Sequoyah.

Association funds $3.50

WRIGHTS CREEK—Bro. Mose Wilnota, Rev. Herman Ensley, Sister Lilly Hornbuckle, Sister Rachel Hornbuckle.

Association funds $3.50

ZION HILL—Bro. Jonah Brown, Rev. Ike Jackson, Sister Nancy Ledford, Sister Winnie Teesateski, Sister Mollie Brown.

Association funds $3.50

YELLOW HILL—Bro. Manus Screamer, Bro. Joe Woody, Sister Bertha Woody, Bro. Cain Saunooke, Bro. Budge Smith, Bro. Peter Knottytom.

Association funds $3.50

The following officers were elected by a unanimous vote for the coming year; and the following committees were appointed:

Rev. Wm. Welch, Moderator.

Mrs. Ella West, Clerk.

Mr. Johnson Owle, Treasurer.

Rev. Wm. Welch, Interpreter.

Sunday School Missionary, Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

Rev. J. Jeter Johnson, Historian.

Arrangement Committee, Allen Wahyahneeta and Cain Saunooke.

Denominational Committee, Rev. Ben Bushyhead and Rev. Robert Smith.

Sunday School Committee, Maroney French and Johnson Owle.

Temperance Committee, Rev. Sibbald Smith, and Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle.

Committee on Ordained Ministers, Henry Lossie, and Buck West.

Time and Place Committee, Robert Bigmeat, and Amanda Walkingstick.

Finance Committee, Rev. Ben Bushyhead and Jonah Feather.

Obituary Committee, Frank Griffin and Rev. Esiah George.

It being time for the 11 o'clock services, a song, "Trust And Obey", was sung; prayer led by Rev. Esiah George. The meeting was then turned over to Rev. Wm. Welch, using as his scripture reading Romans 13th chapter, preaching in English and Rev. Ben Bushyhead, preached in Indian using as his text, "The kingdom of God and the kingdom of Heaven",using as his scripture reading Matt. 3:13-17 both preaching wonderful sermons that were uplifting spiritually. While a song was being sung, "Jesus Saves", a hand-shake of welcome was given. Adjourned for lunch with a benediction by Robert Smith.

THURSDAY, 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session began by singing "Where We'll Never Grow Old." Devotion led by Rev. Durant, using as his scripture reading Luke 13:7-9, prayer led by Rev. Esiah George.

It was voted unanimously to adopt the letters from the different churches. Moved and sustained by second that we make the last table of our minutes to conform with our church letters. Voted unanimously.

The Arrangement Committee made the following report: Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Esiah George to preach Tnursday night at 8 o'clock; Rev. J. Jeter Johnson and Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Friday morning at 11. Rev. DeWitt Owle and Rev. Shepherd Squirrel, at 8 o'clock Friday night. Rev. Wm. Welch, and Rev. Willard Lambert, Saturday morning at 11. Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle and Rev. Esiah George, Saturday night at 8 o'clock and Sunday morning at 11 Rev. Ed Lambert and Rev. Enoch Owle.

Minutes were then read and approved. Meeting adjourned until Friday morning at 10 (EWT) wtih a benediction by Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

FRIDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment and after singing hymn No. 390, "Trust and Obey", the devotion was led by Rev. Wm. Welch, using as his scripture reading the 34th Psalm. Prayer led by Rev. J. Jeter Johnson. It was voted unanimously to have the roll call. The weather being disagreeable some of the messengers were late coming in and it was voted unanimously that all of the church members present be used as a working body of the Association.

Moved and sustained by a second that Rev. J. Jeter Johnson, request the Annuity Board at Dallas, Texas, to recognize the old and infirmed ministers in this Association.

It being time for the 11 o'clock service a song, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arm", was sung. Rev. J. Jeter Johnson used as his scripture reading Hebrew 2:10 and Hebrew 12:1-8. Rev. Ben Bushyhead preached in Indian using as his scripture reading Matt. 11:28-30 both bringing wonderful messages that were inspirational indeed. While a song, "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?", was being sung, a Christian fellowship hand-shake was given. Adjouned for lunch with a benediction by Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

FRIDAY, 1 P. M.

The afternoon session began by singing hymn No. 193, "I Need Thee Every Hour." Devotion and prayer by Rev. Esiah George, using as his scripture reading Romans 6:1-8.

The following reports were then given:

Denominational

We, your Committee on Denominational Work, find by statistical report of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association that a very small amount was contributed to this work. It is our duty to help. Baptist Co-Operative program is planned, whereby Baptist work together to carry on the great program of Jesus in evangelizing, teaching and developing the human race as taught by Jesus in Matt. 28:19-20 and Acts 1:8. We recommend that each church give opportunity for an offering to this great Co-Operative work at least once a month.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. BEN BUSHYHEAD,
REV. ROBERT SMITH,
Committee.

Sunday School

In reviewing the reports of Sunday School held in various communities we find that some of our churches do not hold Sunday School, and those that do have Sunday schools are not carrying Cradle rolls. We must encourage and put forward our efforts to create our Sunday schools for the benefit of our future generation. We must practice and rear our children to be God-fearing people.

MERONEY FRENCH,
JOHNSON OWLE,
Committee.

Ordained Ministers

We, your committee for Ordained Ministers, find the following ordained ministers in our Association:

Rev. Robert Smith.....Cherokee
Rev. Arthur Locust..... Bryson City
Rev. Lloyd Rowland ..... Bryson City
Rev. Lloyd Rowland ..... Bryson City
Rev. Gaston Griffin ..... Bryson City
Rev. Ben Bushyhead ..... Whittier
Rev. Andrew Otter ..... Shawnee, Okla.
Rev. Sibbald Smith ..... Whittier
Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Cherokee
Rev. Esiah George ..... Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George ..... Cherokee
Rev. Wm. Welch ..... Cherokee
Rev. Herman Ensley ..... Cherokee
Rev. DeWitt Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Enoch Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Shepherd Squirrel ..... Cherokee
Rev. Willie Owle ..... Cherokee
Rev. J. Jeter Johnson ..... Cherokee
Rev. Sigley Ned ..... Whittier
Rev. Ike Jackson ..... Robbinsville
Rev. Ed Lambert ..... Cherokee

HENRY LOSSIE, BUCK WEST, Committee

It was voted unanimously to accept the reports that had been read. Moved and sustained by a second that Bro. Jarrett Blythe be appointed as a messenger to the State convention with the Moderator. Minutes were then read and approved. The meeting adjourned with the singing of a song, "The Home Over There", and a benediction by Bro. Jim West.

SATURDAY MORNING

The morning session began by the singing of hymn No. 258, "Jesus Paid It All." Devotion conducted by Rev. Sibbald Smith, using as his text: "Not to forget the assembling of ourselves together", scripture reading Mark 8:35-38. Prayer led by Bro. Allen

Wayahneeta. It was voted to have the roll call and minutes of yesterday's proceedings read.

It being time for the 11 o'clock services, the meeting was turned over to Rev.Willard Lambert, who preached in English. Rev. Wm. Welch used as his scripture reading John 14:20-21. Adjourned for lunch by singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus", and the benediction by Rev. Robert Smith.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting began in the afternoon by singing Hymn No. 424, "Take The Name Of Jesus With You", devotion led by Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, using as his scripture reading Romans 8:1-10, prayer led by Rev. Robert Smith.

The following reports were then read and adopted:

Temperance

Webster defines the word as being in a temperate state, habitual moderation, also the principle and practice of total abstinence from intoxicating beverages. The Cherokee Indian has long and earnestly combatted this evil and as early as 1845 the matter of the distribution of whiskey and other strong drink was brought to the attention of the State legislaure by the friends of the Indians, then in June of the same year Wm. H. Thomas writing from Washington, D. C., said, and I quote, "I communicated in a letter the information you sent to me with regard to the progress of Temperance, the mechanic arts, agriculture, the knowledge possessed by your women of having learned to spin and weave, also the amount of your Sunday Schools, etc. Unquote. Then in March, 1851, in the closing of his letter to the tribe he says, quote, "In the meantime, let me advise you as friends to live at peace with your white neighbors and each other; avoid all kinds of intoxicating drinks." In the many of letters of Thomas his one great regret was that whiskey was working so great evil with the Cherokees. Then there came a change in the early 70's and on through the 80's and until about 1907, there was very little drinking. A public drunk was so seldom seen that he was shunned by all Society, then with the advent of Public works and with the plentifulness of money, drinking became a popular indulgence and the characters shifted from the older to the younger generation "Gout Stills" all round the Reservatinos then the shift to dispensatories in the nearby towns. The force of attack shifted from

the vulgar to the Society set and today as with our white neighbors we are confronted with a problem of protecting our children from the various forms of amusement that the Public offers and which for the most part carry as an inducement some patent spirits for the exhilaration of the patrons. Our boys in arms are surrounded by beer joints, honkey tonks and the attendant evils and it's considered the best of taste. The church is threatened with the greatest opposition in the post-war period that has ever invaded its domain. Let us not close our eyes to this fact. The fight is on. Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived therby is not wise.

SIBBALD SMITH, Committee

Historian

"Lest We Forget", it may be well to call to mind the Swain Indian Baptist Association was organized in 1881. Afterwards the name was changed to Cherokee Baptist Association. At that time there were fourteen Cherokee churches, nine of which affiliated with the Cherokee Association and five remained in the white Associations nearer home.

It is to be deplored that at this date only a few consecutive numbers of the minutes of this Association can be found. It is earnestly requested that from this date forward much care be given to preserving the records that will give the history of the proceedings of this body.

The reports submitted this year show that the twelve churches now reporting are co-operating with the program followed by the Southern Baptist convention. Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies and Woman's Missionary Societies are being organized.

This report would be incomplete without acknowledging with gratitude work done by Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald who resigned in November, 1943. Their names will stand out with the faithful missionaries who have labored in this field since 1840 when the Baptist through Alfred Corn began their work.

The Home Mission Board is still deeply interested in the welfare of the Cherokee Indians and is willing to give asssistance to promoting the work of the Kingdom here.

The Yellow Hill church has caught a vision of a better church building. May they succeed in their effort and may this spirit of improvement spur other churches in the Association to do likewise for their buildings.

Rev. J. Jeter Johnson and his wife are the new missionaries placed on the field by the Home Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. J. JOHNSON, Committee

Time And Place

We, your Time and Place committee, submit the following place for the next Association to be with the Piney Grove Baptist Church beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1945, at 10 A. M. (EWT) with Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle and Rev. Enoch Owle to preach the introductory sermon at 11 A. M.

ROBERT BIGMEAT,
AMANDA WALKINGSTICK,
Committee.

Obituary

We, your committee on the Dead, find that the following beloved brothers and sisters have passed on to their reward:

ROCK SPRINGS ..... Mr. Bird Goings
WRIGHTS CREEK ..... Mr. Jarrett Smith
ECOTA ..... Mr. Allen George
MACEDONIA ..... Mrs. Sallie Sampson
YELLOW HILL—Mr. Lowney Standingdeer, Mrs. Dinah Owle, Mr. Simpson Queen
STRAIGH FORK ..... Mr. Mark Panther
BIG COVE—Mr. Joseph Wolfe, Mr. Morgan French

ROBERT SMITH,
ESIAH GEORGE,
Committee

It was suggested that the committees be appointed for a year, the same as the officers, and by a unanimous vote the present committees were retained. The Moderator appointed an Executive Committee composed of seven members as follows: Rv. J. Jeter Johnson, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Robert Bigmeat, Bro. Oliver Smith, Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle, Sister Ella West.

The minutes of the day were then read and approved. The meeting adjourned with a benediction by Rev. J. Jeter Johnson.

SUNDAY MORNING

The morning session began by singing hymn No. 117, "Send The Light", devotion let by Rev. D. Owle, using as his scripture 1st Tim. 4:4-6; prayer led by Rev. DeWitt Owle.

It was voted unanimously to appoint Rev. DeWitt Owle and Rev. Enoch Owle as Associational Missionaries.

An offering of $25.27 was taken up and it was equally divided among our aged ministers: Rev. Ute Jumper, Rev. Ezekiel Ned, Rev. Andrew Otter, Rev. Sibbald Smith.

Finance

We submit the following report on Finance to the best of our knowledge to this present time. We further urge each church to continue sending $3.50 for the minute funds:

BETHABARA	$3.50
BIG COVE	3.50
CHEROKEE	3.50
ECHOTA	3.50
MACEDONIA	3.50
PINEY GROVE	3.50
ROCK SPRINGS	3.50
ROCK HILL	3.50
STRAIGHTFORK	3.50
WRIGHTS CREEK	3.50
YELLOW HILL	3.50
ZION HILL	3.50
Former Minute funds	2.75
	$42.00
Total Minute fund	$44.75

		Paid Out
Former collection	$ 9.44	$ 6.00
Thursday's collection	5.03	
Friday's collection	5.00	
Saturday's collection	5.04	
Sunday's collection	10.37	24.87
		$30.87

BRO. JONAH FEATHER,
REV. BEN BUSHYHEAD,
Committee

Moved and sustained by a second to close the business part of the meeting. Voted unanimously.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN CHEROKEE (INDIAN) ASSOCIATION

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1944

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt. and Postoffice	Baptism	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	W. M. U.	B. Y. P. U.	Total Denom. Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Bethabara	Rev. Willie Owle, Cherokee	No Sunday School	16	221					62.20	62.20
Big Cove	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Amanda Walkingstick, Cherokee	1	61	25				46.38	46.38
Cherokee	Rev. J. Jeter Johnson, Cheorkee	Johnson Owle, Cherokee		194	111	2	2	181.81	444.48	626.29
Echota	Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Whittier	Lloyd Lambert, Cherokee	4	50					99.01	99.01
Macedonia	Rev. DeWitt Owle, Bryson City	Nick Bradley, Whittier		91	53				54.30	54.30
Piney Grove	Rev. Esiah George, Cherokee	McKinley Ross, Cherokee	5	43	52				76.21	67.21
Rock Hill	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Deweese Reed, Whittier		42	26				26.75	26.75
Rock Springs	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Goliath George, Cherokee	6	118	90			88.50	63.61	152.11
Straight Fork	Rev. Esiah George, Cherokee	Lloyd Sequoyah, Cherokee	3	40	35				50.00	50.00
Wrights Creek	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee	Jake Maney, Cherokee	5	70	57				27.65	27.65
Yellow Hill	Rev. DeWitt Owle, Cherokee	Jim West, Cherokee	7	66	74			20.60	349.39	369.99
Zion Hill	Rev. Wm. Welch, Cherokee	Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	2	47	25			65.62	32.50	98.12

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Mr. Johnson Owle, Treasurer ..... Whittier, N. C.
Mr. Meroney French, Interpreter ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Sarah Wolfe, Historian ..... Robbinsville, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Jarrett Blythe, Rock Springs ..... Whittier, N. C.
Mr. Clifford Hornbuckle, Macedonia ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Oliver Smith, Mission ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Robert C. Smith, Macedonia ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Ella West, Yellow Hill ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. John Maney, Rock Springs ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ewell Payne, Mission ..... Cherokee, N .C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Nick Bradley, Sunday School ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Oliver Smith, Sunday School ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Nick Bradley, Associational ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Sam Walkingstick, Associational ..... Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Mr. Buck West, Denominational ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. John Maney, Denominational ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Duffy Smith, Arrangement ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Oliver Smith, Arrangement ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Sam Walkingstick, Sunday School ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George, Sunday School ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ewell Payne, Temperance ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Jess Teleskie, Ordained Ministers ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Fred Bradley, Ordained Ministers ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Nick Bradley, Time and Place ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Jess Swaney, Time and Place ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Nan Smith, Finance ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Jarrett Blythe, Finance ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Carrie Robinson, Obituary ..... Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Obituary ..... Cherokee, N. C.

MESSESGERS

BETHABARA—Bro. Herman Martin, Bro. Frank Griffin, Bro. Jim Conseen.

BIG COVE—Sister Amanda Walkingstick, Sister Susie West, Bro. Howard Wolfe, Bro. Frank West, Bro. Buck West, Rev. Will Ratliff.

CHEROKEE—Bro. Oliver Smith, Mrs. Nan Smith, Mrs. Juanita Owle, Mrs. Carrie S. Robinson, Bro. Mike Walkingstick, Bro. Johnson Owle, Rev. Ewell Payne, Mrs. Ewell Payne.

ECHOTA—Rev. Andrew Otter, Sister Nancy Oosow, Sister Nancy Busheyhead, Sister Stacy Owle, Rev. Ben Busheyhead.

MACEDONIA—Rev. Enoch Owle, Rev. Nick Bradley, Bro. Moody Reid, Bro. Jesse Teleskie, Bro. Jow Bradley, Bro. Jack Jackson, Sister Mary Blythe.

PINEY GROVE—Bro. Henry Lossie, Bro. Jesse Lossie, Sister Agnes Lossie, Sister Sallie Teesateskie, Rev. Ike Jackson.

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. William Welch, Rev. Goliath George, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Deweese Bradley, Bro. John Maney, Bro. Robert Bigmeat, Bro. Fred Bradley, Sister Lizzie Tollie, Sister Maude Welch, Sister Arnessa Maney, Sister Elzina Bradley.

ROCK HILL—Rev. Esiah George.

SEQUOYAH—Bro. Meroney French, Bro. Jesse Armachain, Rev. Dock Smith, Rev. Sam Walkingstick, Sister Lucy Armachain, Sister Stella Walkingstick, Sister Elizabeth McGee, Sister Martha Smith.

STRAIGHT FORK—Bro. Jess Swayney, Bro. Jonah Teeseteskie.

WRIGHTS CREEK—Rev. Herman Ensley, Sister Lillie Hornbuckle, Rev. Clyde Monteith, Sister Slydia M. Ensley, Sister Rachel Hornbuckle, Bro. Hartman Hornbuckle, Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Bro. Jorn Smith, Rev. Martin Smith.

YELLOW HILL—Rev. Dock Smith, Bro. Richard Maney, Sister Margaret Davir, Sister Cecelia Miller, Sister Lou West, Bro. Israel Davis, Bro. Jim West, Bro. Joe Johnson, Bro. Arch Miller, Sister Ella West.

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ARTICLE V. The Officers of the Association shall be

Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Missionaries and Executive Committee who shall be elected annually by the Association.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees, decide all questions of order; give his opinion concerning any subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. Will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ARTICLE XIII. All the committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 90 days after the adjournment of the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll Messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.

5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Obituary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear reports of Committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for Treasurer's report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

Macedonia Baptist Church,
September 30, Oct. 1, 2, 3, 1948.

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association met according to the time set and the house was called into session by Rev. Robert C. Smith. The Moderator being absent it was voted unanimously that Rev. Robert C. Smith be elected as Moderator Protem. Rev. Sam Walkingstick had the devotion using as his scripture reading the 119 Psalm, prayer led by Bro. John Maney. Election of Officers was next in order. The clerk was first nominated. It was moved and sustained by a second to retain our present clerk, Mrs. Ella West. Moved and sustained by a second that we nominate Rev. Robert C. Smith as Moderator. Moved and sustained by a second that the nomination cease, and by a unanimous vote Rev. Robert C. Smith was nominated as Moderator. Sam Walkingstick, Assistant Mod., Mr. Johnson Owle, Treasurer, Meroney French, Interpreter, Mrs. Sarah Wolfe, Historian. The Moderator then appointed the committees asking that all have their reports in by Saturday noon. It being time for the 11 o'clock services the meeting was turned over to Rev. Enoch Owle and Rev. Dock Smith. Rev. Enoch Owle used as his scripture reading John 3:1-15, using for his text John 12:32. He preached in Indian and Rev. Dock Smith preached in English using the same text, both preaching wonderful sermons and a great message for each Messenger to carry back to their churches. While a song was being sung a Christian hand shake was given. Adjourned for lunch with prayer by Rev. Ewell Payne.

THURSDAY, 1:00 P. M.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Meroney French. Devotion by Rev. Ewell Payne, he first spoke briefly on the Bible Institute which will be held at the Cherokee Mission Baptist Church by Dr. J. B. Rounds in Oct. urging everyone to attend. He used as his scripture reading Psalm 23:1.

By a unanimous vote Rev. Nick Bradley and Bro. Oliver Smith was retained as Sunday School Missionaries. Minutes read and approed, adjourned until 10 A. M. Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 1, 1948

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and singing led by Rev. Sam Walkingstick. Devotion by Bro. John Maney, using as his scripture reading First Thessalonians 4: 13-18, using the 18th verse as his key verse. Prayer led by Bro. Jess Swayney. Letters were then read from the churches and adopted by a unanimous vote. It being time for the 11 o'clock services the meeting was turned over to Rev. Ute Jumper and Rev. Nick Bradley. Prayer led by Rev. Ewell Payne, Rev. Ute Jumper preached in Indian using for his scripture reading Rev. 3:8 and Rev. 1:18. Rev. Nick Bradley preached in English using as his text "The closed Door" both sermons were inspirational. While a song was sung a Christian hand shake was given. Adjourned for lunch with a prayer by Bro. Jonah Teseteskie.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The afternoon session began with singing. Devotion by Bro. Buck West using for his scripture Second Tim. 3:16, prayer led by Rev. Esiah George. The following report was handed in. Rev. Dewitt Owle and Rev. Esiah George to preach Friday night. Bro. Dock Lambert to have the devotion Saturday morning. Rev. Ewell Payne and Rev. Sam Walkingstick to preach at 11 o'clock Sat. morning, Bro. Meroney French to have the devotion at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

DUFFY SMITH
OLIVER SMITH
Arrangement Committee

It was moved and sustained by a second to change the reading on our minutes to read "The Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association" from "Cherokee Baptist Association."

It was voted to allow the clerk $10.00 for expenses in having the minutes printed. The following report was given by the Sunday School Missionary.

I have visited several churches and find that one thing we need to improve on is starting on time and the teachers to study more. Urging every Sunday School to have good teachers especially for the little ones as they are the Christians of tomorrow. The sooner that we can get a play ground around the church to entertain our children the better our

work will progress, as we need to keep our bodies fit physically as well as spiritually. In order to win lost souls for Christ we have to win them in every way we can and one way is to be one of them, as a Christian should be able to live a Christian life any place he is, I feel I can play ball and never sin. Pray for us.

NICK BRADLEY

Bro. Oliver Smith, Sunday School Missionary, submitted the following report. I visited nine different churches, I don't feel I have done all that I could of done, but I have studied the work more and feel capable of doing better this coming year. We have to have the co-operation of the different churches in order to go as Associational Sunday School Missionary. I find the children anxious to learn and urge the teachers to study more, we need more trained teachers. We need to be trained in all things in order to make a success of it. I intend to do better in the work this coming year.

OLIVER SMITH.

The following reports were turned in.

OBITUARY

OUR LOVING DEAD
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

BETHABARA—Rev. Sibbald Smith, Mr. Solomon Owle, Mrs. Nettie Owle, Mrs. Rhoda McCoy, Miss Dora Owle.

ECHOTA—Mr. Judas Wesley, Deacon John Walkingstick.

BIG COVE—Mrs. Irene Swimmer.

MACEDONIA—Mr. Henry Blythe, Mrs. Lena Davis.

ROCK SPRINGS—Sister Marjorie Rattler.

ZION HILL—Bro. Tom Calonahuskie.

Submitted by
SISTER CARIE ROBINSON
SISTER MARY B. BLYTHE.

TEMPERANCE

Let all Christians remember that God's work teaches against the use of Alcohol. Alcohol destroys the physical body, thus brings sickness and disease. Alcohol destroys character, breaks homes ,brings suffering to children, women, even men.

Alcohol hinders the progress of our churches. Let us recognize that more liquor is being consumed from year to year. Finally let all Christians and Churches go abreast in cooperating to get liquor away from our people.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. EWELL PAYNE.

DENOMINATIONAL

We find through the church letters that the different churches are carrying on as well as could be expected. But we find the Sunday School in all churches could be improved because it is the beginning of all church work. We recommend that all the churches give opportunity for an active part in the Sunday School. We should all co-operate in the different Mission programs that the Mission Board sends here.

BRO. JOHN MANEY
BRO. BUCK WEST
Committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Zion Hill has Sunday School enrollment of 27. Yellow has Sunday School with enrollment of 82. Macedonia has Sunday School with enrollment of 84. Sequoyah has Sunday School with enrollment of 67. Rock Springs has Sunday School with enrollment of 88. Rock Hill doesn't have Sunday School.

Big Cove has Sunday School with an enrollment of 67. Echota and Bethabara has Sunday School combined with an enrollment of ??. Piney Grove does not have Sunday School. Cherokee Mission has Sunday School with an enrollment of 155.

REV. SAM WALKINGSTICK
REV. ESIAH GEORGE
Comittee.

TIME AND PLACE

We your time and place committee submit the following place for the next Association. Straightfork Baptist church beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October with Rev. Dewitt Owle and Rev. Shepherd Squirrel to preach the Denominational sermon at 11 o'clock A. M.

REV. NICK BRADLEY
BRO. JESS TELESKIE
Committee.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Ewell Payne	Cherokee
Rev. Solomon Queen	Cherokee
Rev. Will Rattliff	Cherokee
Rev. Ike Jackson	Robbinsville
Rev. Enoch Owle	Cherokee
Rev. Robert Smith	Cherokee
Rev. Nick Bradley	Whittier
Rev. Ben Busheyhead	Whittier
Rev. Andrew Otter	Whittier
Rev. Willie Owle	Cherokee
Rev. Arthur Locust	Bryson City
Rev. Dewitt Owle	Bryson City
Rev. Fred Roland	Canton
Rev. Esiah George	Robbinsville
Rev. William Welch	Cherokee
Rev. Goliath George	Whittier
Rev. Dock Smith	Cherokee
Rev. Sam Walkingstick	Cherokee
Rev. Shepherd Squirrel	Cherokee
Rev. Bill Moody	Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Cherokee

We your committee on ordained ministers find the above named in our Association.

FRED BRADLEY
JESS TELESKIE
Committee.

TO THE CHEROKEE INDIAN ASSOCIATION MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Greetings:

This is a summary of my service I have tried to render by the help of the Lord. I know I could of done more and am willing to try. Trusting that the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ will empower each one of you to higher and greater fields in his service. It has been enjoyed by me to keep an intemized report of my visits to churches, to homes, to visiting churches and great revivals. However, I had to visit the sick distressed, bereaved, and many things the will of the flesh objected to, but the Lord was with me all the way.

Praise His name. Services attended 171, Messages brought 121, and Funerals attended, 15.

Respectfully Submitted,
REV. CLIFFORD HORNBUCKLE
Associational Missionary.

Moved and sustained by a second that we accept the reports that have been turned in and release the committees. Minutes read and adopted. An offering of $7.00 was taken for the Aged Ministers. Adjourned with a benediction by Rev. Will Ratliff, until 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 2, 1948

Meeting called to order by the Moderator. Devotion by Bro. Dock Lambert using for his scripture reading First John 4:20-20, preyer led by Rev. Nick Bradley. Roll call and the letter from the Wrights Creek church was read and adopted. It being time for the 11 o'clock service the meeting was turned over to Rev. Ewell Payne and Rev. Dewitt Owle. This being Rev. Ewell Payne's first Association wtih us he spoke briefly on the purpose of his Mission among us. He used as his scripture Heb. 13: 1-20, Rev. Dewitt Owle, spoke briefly as he only had 2 minutes to talk. A Christian hand shake was given. Adjourn for lunch until 1 o'clock with a benediction by Rev. Ben Busheyhead.

The afternoon session began with singing, Rev. Andrew Otter had the devotion using as his scripture reading John 10: 14-15. He also referred to the 23 Psalm prayer led by Rev. Andrew Otter. It was voted unanimously to nominate Bro. John Maney and Rev. Ewell Payne on the Executive Committee with Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Bro. Oliver Smith, Bro. Robert Smith and Sister Ella West.

	Finance Report	Missionaries	Minutes
Bethabara	$10.00	$6.50	$3.50
Big Cove	10.00	6.50	3.50
Cherokee	10.00	6.50	3.50
Echota	00.00	0.00	0.00
Macedonia	10.00	6.50	3.50
Piney Grove	10.00	6.50	3.50
Rock Springs	10.00	6.50	3.50
Rock Hill	10.00	6.50	3.50
Sequoyah	10.00	6.50	3.50
Straightfork	10.00	6.50	3.50

Wrights Creek	5.00	1.50	3.50
Yellow Hill	10.00	6.50	3.50
Zion Hill	10.00	6.50	3.50
	$115.00	$73.00	$42.00

Paid to Missionaries	$73.00
Paid to aged ministers	$20.00
Paid to clerk	$10.00

BRO. JARRETT BLYTHE
SISTER NAN SMITH
Committee.

Finance report was adopted. Meeting adjourned.

Statistical Report of Churches In Cherokee Indian Association

FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 2, 1948

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	S. S. Supt. & Postoffice	Baptism	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Local Cont.	Den. Cont.	Grand Total
Bethabara	Rev. Willie Owle, Cherokee	Mr. Sam Brady, Cherokee	24	312	000	234.39	000.00	234.59
Big Cove	Rev. Will Ratliff, Cherokee	Mr. Amoneeta Sequoyah, Ch'r'ke	3	62	37	76.72	30.00	106.72
Cherokee	Rev. Ewell Payne, Cherokee	Mr. Calvin S. Lossie, Cherokee	43	202	155	418.79	3033.76	3452.55
Echota	No Pastor	Mr. Sam Brady, Cherokee	00	41	000	107.74	00.00	107.74
Macedonia	Rev. Enoch Owle, Cherokee	Mr. Moody Reid, Cherokee	13	122	61	442.87	93.09	535.96
Piney Grove	Rev. Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	No Sunday School	00	36	00	26.51	00.00	26.51
Rock Springs	Rev. William Welch, Cherokee	Mr. Fred Bradley, Cherokee	14	130	85	176.61	172.48	349.09
Rock Hill	Rev. Esiah George, Robbinsville	No Sunday School	00	000	00	28.00	000.00	28.00
Sequoyah	Rev. Dock Smith, Cherokee	Mr. Meroney French, Cherokee	13	35	67	439.00	112.00	551.00
Straightfork	Rev. Shepherd Squirrel, Cherokee	Mr. Jess Swayney, Cherokee	23	78	84	62.19	000.00	62.19
Wrights Creek	Rev. Clyde Monteith, Bryson City	Mr. Hartman Hornbuckle, Chero.		78	58	208.64	1.00	209.64
Yellow Hill	Rev. Dewitt Owle, Bryson City	Mr. Jim West, Cherokee	5	88	74	297.82	24.32	322.14
Zion Hill	Rev. Solomon Queen, Cherokee	Mr. Jonah Brown, Robbinsville	2	47	27	80.62	10.00	90.62

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Wilson Rattler	Time and Place	Cherokee, N. C.
Jake Maney		Cherokee, N. C.
Jarrett Blythe	Denomination	Cherokee, N. C.
Mary Blythe	Temperance	Cherokee, N. C.
William Moody	Sunday School	Cherokee, N. C.
Jim Smith	Ordained Ministers	Cherokee, N. C.
Nick Bradley	Finance	Whittier, N. C.
Ed Welch	Obituary	Cherokee, N. C.
Elizabeth Crowe		Cherokee, N. C.
Bob Cabe	Arrangement	Cherokee, N. C.
Martin Smith		Cherokee, N. C.

MESSENGERS

Big Witch— James Crowe, Rev. Nick Bradley, Jean Crowe, Edith Bradley, Elizabeth Crowe, Richard Arneach, Joe Crowe, Bill Crowe, Ed Welch, John Julius Wilnota.

Boiling Springs— Allen Wahneetah, Thomas Jumper, Maggie Wahneetah.

Cherokee— Ted Rose, Bob Cabe, Oliver Smith, Vera Payne, Mildred Rose, Nan Smith, Sarah Wolfe, Louise Cabe.

Echota— Lloyd Lambert, Epp Welch, Ike Jackson.

Little Snowbird— Noah Tesateskie, John Wachacha, Sarah Tesateskie, Dewitt Chickelilee.

Macedonia— Jarrett Blythe, Jack Jackson, Jesse Teleskie, Noah Cucumber, Homer Powell, Mary Blythe, Mary Jackson, Nola Teleskie, Emiline Cucumber.

Piney Grove— Boyd Shell, Jesse Lossiah.

Rockhill— Peter Thompson

Rock Springs— John Walkingstick, William Welch, Goliath George, Deweese Bradley, John Maney, Robert Bigmeat, James Bradley. Charles Craig, Rachel Hicks, Bessie George.

Straight Fork— Mollie Sequoyah, Emmaline Driver, Mandy Swimmer, Lizzie Tooni, Olivan Tooni.

Sequoyah— Jim Smith, Martin Smith.

Wrights Creek— Rachel Hornbuckle, Stacy Hornbuckle, Mary Hornbuckle, Lilly Hornbuckle, Ollie Smith, Russell Hornbuckle, Ben Hornbuckle, Clifford Hornbuckle, John Smith.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

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2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
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4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Obituary, and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear reports of Committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for Treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

Big Witch Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
September 17, 1954

Moved and sustained by a second that Bro Nick Bradley sit as Moderator protem. Voted unanimously.

Moved and sustained by a second that Bro. Russell Hornbuckle sit as Clerk protem. Voted unanimously.

Prayer led by Rev. Esiah George.

The Association letters were read, and it was moved and seconded that we put off the adoption of the letters until tomorrow morning. Voted unanimously.

Moved and sustained by a second that we stop the business part of the meeting for the morning sermon.. Moved and sustained by a second that Bro. Nick Bradley bring the message at this time. Prayer led by Bro. Bill Moody. Bro. Nick Bradley brought the

message using as his scripture reading; Matt. 3:1-11, using the 10th verse as his text and "A True Witness" a his topic.

While a song was sung a Fellowship handshake was given.

Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Devotion led by Mrs. Ewell Payne, using as her scripture reading, Matt. 17:1-8; 14-20. Prayer led by sister Mary Blythe.

It was moved and sustained by a second that we resend the action taken on the letters this morning. Voted unanimously. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt the letters that were read and seat the messengers. Voted unanimously. It being time for the election of offcers, the Nominating Committee presented its recommendations for officers of the Association. They were as follows: Moderator; Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle; Assistant Moderator; Rev Johnny Walkingstick; Clerk; sister Lou Crowe; Treasurer; sister Emily Walkingstick; Interpreter; Bro. Ed Welch. Moved and sustanied by a second that we accept the recommendations of the committee and elect them as officers of the Association for the coming year. Voted unanimously.

Next in order was the appointing of committees. The following committees were appointed by the Moderator; Time and Place; James Crowe, Wilson Rattler, Jake Maney. Denomination; Jarrett Blythe. Sunday School; Bill Moody. Temperance; Mary Blythe. Ordained Ministers; James Smith. Finance; Nick Bradley. Obituary; Ed Welch. Arrangement; Elizabeth Crowe, Bob Cabe, Martin Smith. Historian; Ben Bushyhead.

It was moved and sustained by a second that the clerk get the minutes out of each church within two months after the Association, and that the Program Committee have the program of the next Association made 30 days before it convenes. Voted unanimously.

It was voted unanimously that we hear the Treasurers report. The Treasurer reported that the Assoiiation has $250.00. The Treasurers report was accepted by a unanimous vote.

It was voted unanimously to cancel the order for back minutes.

Bro. Nick Bradley suggested that we do something nice for two faithful officers of the Association, sister Ella Welch and Bro. Johnson Owle who are going out of office. It was voted unanimously to give each one $10.00 out o the money the Association has on hand. The money was presented by Bro. Nick Bradley. It was decided by a unanimous vote to hear the report of the Associational Missionary before we decide how much money will be designated for mission work on the Reservation. Voted unanimously to let the moderator appoint a committee to appoint an Associational Missionary for the coming year. The Moderator appointed Brothers Bill Moody, Nick Bradley and Ewell Payne.

It was moved and sustained by a second to hear the minutes of the day. Voted unanimously. The minutes were read, and approved.

Moved and sustained by a second that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00. Voted unanimously.

Benediction by Bro. Nick Bradley.

Big Witch Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
September 18, 1953

The meeting began according to adjournment. Singing led by Bro. Ike Jackson. Devotion led by Bro Jarrett Blythe, using as his scripture reading John 3:16. Prayer led by Bro. Martin Smith.

Ro'l Call was next in order.

It was voted unanimously to seat Bro. Ike Jackson and Bro. George Rattler as messengers to the Association from Zion Hill.

By unanimous vote the Associational Missionary's report was read by the Moderator. The Asociational Misionary's report was accepted by a unanimous vote.

It was decided by an unanimous vote to put off the report of the committee that is to select the Associational Missionary until they have time to think and pray over the matter.

A song was sung and the meeting was turned over to Bro. Bill Moody who brought the morning sermon, using as his slripture reading Psalms 126:6. Bro. Moody's subject was; "Heaven Bound Christians Should Weep Over Hell Bound Sinners," telling us, "as Christians, we should come to the realization that many souls are going to Hell. We should be a witness to the lost, and as Christians should be burdened for the lost, because; 1. They are lost 2. Because of sin and the results of it. 3. They are going to stand in the Judgment. 4. They are going to spend eternity in Hell. 5. We are under Divine Commission of Christ. Let us live in accordance with the will of God so that we can be a True Witness While a song was sung an invitation was given to any one who wished to come and confess any sin that may bee keeping them from being a true witness for God.

While another song was sung an offering of $13.31 was taken.

Adjourn for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Devotion led by Bro. Ewell Payne using as his scripture reading, Romans 8:1-16. Prayer led by Bro. Payne.

The following Sunday School report was given by Bro. Bill Moody, Committee; "The Sunday School is the teaching agency of the church. It is in the Sunday School that we get children and adults under the teachng and influence o fthe gospel. The Bible is taught in the Sunday School, and as long as it is taught, studied, and lived by, we shall see our churches grow.

All of the churches in our Association have a Sunday School. Some of them have a very small enrollment and a very small attendance. Despite the fact that our attendnce and enrollmnt may be small, the prospects, nevertheless, are very great. There are 949 people from our Reservation enrolled in our Sunday Schools. Our average attendance out of that number for the year is 651. Let us awake out of sleep and enlist them in our Sunday Schools. One well studied, well prepared, prayed over, and well taught Sunday School lesson may mean life or death for a sinner.

Let us not only enlist them, but let us as teachers, and Sunday School workers awaken to our responsibility to God and to the class with which we work. Let us lift high the blood stained banner of our Lord Jesus Christ in our Sunday Schools this coming year."

Respectfully Submitted, Wm. S. Moody, Committee.

It was decided by unanimous vote that Bro. Ben Bushyhead and Bro. Jarrett Blythe hunt up old minutes of the Association and bind them together for a reference to be used by the Association, and make a report to the Executive Committee when it is completed.

By a unanimous vote, the business part of the meeting was adjourned and the meeting was turned over to two visiting brothers; Rev. Raymond T. Dearmond of Knoxville, Tenn., and Rev. Charles C. Lemons, of Knoxville, Tennessee.

The minutes of the day were read and approved. The meeting was adjourned until 10:00 a. m. Saturday.

Big Witch Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
September 19, 1953

The meeting began according to adjournment. Singing led by sister Rachel Hornbuckle. Devotion by Bro. Johnny Crowe using as his scripture reading Romans 13:8-9; 14:11-13. Prayer led by Bro. Ben Hornbuckle.

Roll Call was next in order with 32 messengers present.

The letters of Straight Fork and Zion Hill were read and adopted.

A song was led by Bro. Noah Cucumber and the meeting was turned over to Bro. Ewell Payne who brought the morning message using as his scripture reading Revelations 19:7-16, 20:1-6, preaching of the second coming of Jesus Christ. While a song was sung those who wished came and gave the Moderator their hand saying no matter what the future held for them, they would not go contrary to the will of God.

While another song was sung an offering of $12.15 was taken

Adjournment for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Devotion led by Bro. James Crowe, using as his scripture reading Philippians 3:13-17. Prayer led by Bro Jarrett Blythe.

The following reports were given:

The Associational Missionary Nominating Committee reported that they had nominated Rev. Enoch Owle as Missionary to Robbinsville and Rev. Dock Smith as Missionary to Cherokee.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Your Committee on Ordained Ministers find the following Ministers in our Association:

Rev. Ewell Payne ..... Cherokee
Rev. Solomon Queen ..... Cherokee
Rev. Ike Jackson ..... Robbinsville
Rev. Ute Jumper ..... Whittier
Rev. William Ratliff ..... Cherokee
Rev. Enoch Owle ..... Cherokee

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Rev. Esiah George ..... Whittier
Rev. Nick Bradley ..... Whittier
Rev. Ben Bushyhead ..... Whittier
Rev. William Welch ..... Cherokee
Rev. Dock Smith ..... Cherokee
Rev. Sam Walkingstick ..... Cherokee
Rev. Hermon Ensley ..... Cherokee
Rev. Bill Moody ..... Cherokee
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle ..... Cherokee
Rev. Ed Lambert ..... Cherokee
Rev. Dock Lambert ..... Cherokee
Rev. John Walkingstick ..... Cherokee
Rev. Deweese Bradley ..... Cherokee
Rev. Bird Wade ..... Whittier
Rev. Martin Smith ..... Cherokee
Rev. Shepherd Squirrel ..... Cherokee
Rev. Robert Bushyhead ..... Cherokee
Rev. Dewitt Owle ..... Bryson City
Rev. Robert Smith .....
Rev. Dewitt Chickilelee ..... Robbinsville

James Smith, Committee.

DENOMINATIONAL

There are fifteen churches in our Association. Some are making progress while others are falling off, especially in church attendance and in membership. The falling away seems to be due to discouragement caused by the failure of Christians of other churches to lend a helping hand in time of need. Some Christians are only interested in their own churches and care nothing about the welfare of others, and I mean Christians of the Baptist churches, of our Association. If every Christian will rededicate to honest, wholehearted Christian service, Gods Kingdom will begin to grow here on our Reservation.

Let us show our faith by our Works.

Respectfully Submitted, Jarrett Blythe, Committee.

OBITUARY. Submitted by Ed Welch

Our departed loved ones now are resting in peace from our different churches:

Mrs. Mary Wade	Boiling Springs
Mrs. Kamie Wahneetah	Yellow Hill
Mrs. Nicy Lossiah	Rock Hill
Mrs. Kimsey Squirrel	Rock Hill
Mr. W. W. Jordan	Macedonia
Mrs. Delia Mathis	Macedonia
Mr. Roy Edward Bradley	Rock Springs
Mrs. Nancy Saunooke	Rock Springs
Mrs. Lizzie Tollie	Rock Springs
Mr. Golidge Watty	Straight Fork
Mr. Andrew Otter	Echota
Mr. Sam Smith	Sequoyah
Mrs. Leona Brown	Zion Hill
Mr. Sam Maney	Wrights Creek

FINANCE

Big Witch	$10.00
Boiling Springs	$10.00
Cherokee Mission	$10.00
Echota	$10.00
Little Snowbird	$10.00
Macedonia	$10.00
Piney Grove	$10.00
Rock Hill	$10.00
Rock Springs	$10.00
Wrights Creek	$10.00
Yellow Hill	$10.00
Straight Fork	$10.00
Sequoyah	
Big Cove	
Zion Hill	

Minutes, $75.00; Treasurer, $5.00; Clerk, $10.00. Missionary, $39.99

Nick Bradley, Committee

TIME AND PLACE

The next Association will be held with the Yellow Hill Baptist Church, September 30, October 1, 2, 3, 1954.

James Crowe, Wilson Rattler, Jake Maney, Committee.

ARRANGEMENTS

Arrangements were made for the worship service of the Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association held at the Big Witch Baptist Church, as follows:

THURSDAY a. m.
11:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Nick Bradley

THURSDAY p. m.
1:00 Devotion ..... Mrs. Ewell Payne
7:30 Sermon ..... Rev. John Walkingstick

FRIDAY a. m.
10:00 Devotion ..... Bro. Jarrett Blythe
11:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Bill Moody

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1:00 Devotion ..... Rev. Ewell Payne
2:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Raymond Dearmond
7:30 Sermon ..... Rev. Ike Jackson

SATURDAY a. m.
10:00 Devotion ..... Bro. John A. Crowe
11:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Ewell Payne

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1:00 Devotion ..... Bro. James Crowe
7:30 Sermon ..... Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle

SUNDAY a. m.
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Nick Bradley

SUNDAY p. m.
1:00 Devotion ..... Rev. Esiah George

Arrangements were made for lunch each day being approved by the Big Witch Church and Messengers to the Association.

By a move sustained by a second, all the reports were accepted.

It was voted unanimously to give each Missionary $20.00 each for expenses.

It wa moved and sustained by a second that the $10.00 sent to the Association by the churches be used for Asociational purposes, such as printing of the minutes, Missionary expenses, etc. Voted Unanimously.

It was voted unanimously to give the Wrights Creek Baptist Church $50.00 toward the completion of their new church, and that we send the balance of the money, $139.21 to the Indian Offering for a missionary in Utah.

It was voted that we retain the money which was taken during the Association in the treasure.

It was moved and sustained by a second to hear the mnutes of the day. Voted unanimously. The minutes were read and approved

It was voted unanimouly to dismiss the business part of the meeting until the next Association.

While a song was sung a Fellowship handshake was given.

Meeting adjourned.

			Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	W. M. U.	R. A.	G. A.	Brotherhood	Local Contributions	Denominational Contributions	GRAND TOTAL
Big Cove	No Report											
Big Witch	Nick Bradley, Whittier	Ed Welch, Cherokee	2	26	49					524.38	35.00	559.38
Boiling Springs	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Thomas Jumper, Whittier	2	15	30					327.54	6.75	334.29
Cherokee	Ewell Payne, Cherokee	Wilson Rattler, Cherokee	7	288	103	15	20	24	10	128.26	672.57	2800.83
Echota	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Lloyd Lambert, Bryson C	7	52	19					66.87		66.87
Little Snowbird	Esiah George, Whittier	Noah Teesateskie, Robbi	0	8	28					1140.16		1140.16
Macedonia	Enoch Owle, Cherokee	Sam Queen, Cherokee	8	156	145					1247.81	186.81	1434.58
Piney Grove	Esiah George, Whittier	Boyd Shell, Cherokee	0	52	33							
Rock Hill	Esiah George, Whittier	Ammons George, Whittier	0	45	50					1997.00	10.00	2007.00
Rock Springs	John Walkingstick, Chero	Fred Bradley, Cherokee	21	191	120					1218.57	61.75	1280.32
Sequoyah	Martin Smith, Cherokee											
Straight Fork	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Russell Tooni, Cherokee	5	107	139					589.30		539.88
Wrights Creek		Ben Hornbuckle, Cherokee	2	98	75					588.18	3.76	591.94
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Ch	Calvin Lossiah, Cherokee	20	125	110					1279.95	88.18	1368.13
Zion Hill	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville		1	46	18					79.68		79.68

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Seventy-Third Annual Session

OF THE

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OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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Swain County, North Carolina

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED 1881

Rev. William S. Moody, Moderator

Mrs. Louwana Crowe, Clerk

Next Session Will Be Held With The Big Cove Baptist Church
September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 1955.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION

Rev. William S. Moody, Moderator — Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Nick Bradley, Asst. Moderator — Whittier, N. C.
Mrs. Louwana Crowe, Clerk — Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer — Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Historians, Whittier, N. C.
Bro. Ed Welch, Interpreter — Cherokee, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Ewell Payne — Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George — Whittier, N. C.

COMMITTEES

TIME AND PLACE
Bro. John Walkingstick, Sister Naomi Sneed, Sister Rachel Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N. C.

DENOMINATION
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle — Cherokee, N. C.

TEMPERANCE
Rev. Charles Ginn — Cherokee, N. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sister Hattie Welch — Cherokee, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS
Bro. Duffy Smith — Cherokee, N. C.

FINANCE
Rev. Nick Bradley — Whittier, N. C.

OBITUARY
Bro. Ed Welch — Cherokee, N. C.

MESSENGERS

Big Cove— John Walkingstick, Jesse W. Swayney, Emily Walkingstick, Lizzie Tooni.
Big Witch— James Crowe, John Crowe, Nick Bradley, Edith Bradley, Elizabeth Crowe, William Crowe, Katie Welch, Betty B. Crowe.
Boiling Springs— Bird Wade, Allen Wahnetah, Maggie Wahnetah.
Cherokee— Nan Smith, Sally Browning, Naomi Sneed, Bob Cabe, Cain Saunooke.
Echota— Jonah Teesateskie, Ben Bushyhead, Ute Jumper, Stacy Owle, Nancy Bushyhead.
Little Snowbird— Noah Teesateskie, Dewitte Chickelelee.
Macedonia— Jack Jackson, Jarrett Blythe, Jesse Teleskie, Noah Cucumber, Emiline Cucumber, David Larch, George Burgess, Sallie Hornbuckle, Minda Reed, Mary Blythe.
Piney Grove— Boyd Shell, Agnes Lossiah, Mary Shell.
Rock Hill— Esiah George, Peter Thompson, Rachel Taylor.

Rock Springs— Bessie George, James Bradley, Rachel Hicks, Guy George, Pauline Long, Arnessa Maney, Jean Smith.
Sequoyah— Martin Smith, Meroney French, Jesse Armachain, James Smith, Viola French, Mary French, Jean Armachain, Rachel Smith.
Straight Fork— Emmaline Driver, Mandy Swimmer, Garrett Littlejohn.
Wrights Creek— Clifford Hornbuckle, Herman Ensley, John Smith, Rachel Hornbuckle, Stacey Hornbuckle, Russel Hornbuckle.
Yellow Hill— Hattie Welch, Katie Crowe, Elizabeth Hill, Lou Crowe, Ella West.
Zion Hill— Joe Conseen, Nancy Ledford, Hettie Rattler.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a. m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p. m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

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6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear reports of committees.
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10. Call for treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

Yellow Hill Baptist Church

Cherokee, North Carolina.

September 30, 1954

The meeting began with singing led by Brother Clifford Hornbuckle.

Devotion led by Brother William Moody using as his scripture reading Matt. 28:16-20.

Prayer led by Brother Nick Bradley.

The reading of letters and enrolling of officers was next in order with 13 churches represented and 42 messengers present. It was voted unanimously to accept letters and enroll the messengers. It was voted unanimously that Bro. Charles Ginn sit as Moderator during the election of Officers. The following officers were elected by unanimous vote: Rev. William Moody as Moderator; Rev. Nick Bradley as Assistant Moderator; Sister Lou Crowe as Clerk; Sister Mary Blythe as Treasurer; Brothers Ben Bushyhead and Jarrett Blythe as Historians and Brother E. Welch as Interpreter.

The Moderator appointed the following committees: Bro. John Walkingstick, Sisters Naomi Sneed and Rachel Hornbuckle as Time and Place; Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle as Denomination; Rev. Charles Ginn as Temperance; Sister Hattie Welch as Sunday School; Bro. Duffy Smith as Ordained Ministers; Rev. Nick Bradley as Finance and Bro. Ed. Welch as Obituary.

It was voted unanimously that we adopt the printed program for the Association this year with the Moderator making the necessary changes.

A song was sung and the meeting turned over to Rev. Nick Bradley who brought the morning sermon, using as his scripture reading II Timothy 1:8-9, telling us that we are all members of a believing church. The church needs to come together and work together in order that lost people might be saved. If we are a believing church we will be successful. We are not members of some club but members of the "Army of God", to stand on the front line and fight sin, by witnessing for Christ. Asking the question; Are we paralyzing the body of Christ Reminding us that we are all members of the body of Christ and when we sin against God and don't do His will we paralyze His body. The way to stop this is to repent of sin and get in our places and work for the Lord.

Prayer led by Bro. Nick Bradley.

While a song was sung an offering was taken.

Adjourn for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Brother Clifford Hornbuckle. Devotion led by Bro. Ed Welch, using as his scripture Acts 1:8, telling us that before we can have the Holy Spirit, we must be born again. If we have the Holy Spirit we will witness for Him. Prayer led by Bro. Charles Ginn.

It was voted that we hear the Rules of Decorum and the Constitution read.

It was voted unanimously that the Moderator appoint a committee to revise Articles I, VI, and XII of the Constitution. Brothers Clifford Hornbuckle, Nick Bradley and Jarrett Blythe were appointed to serve on this committee.

The report of Bro. Dock Smith was read and it was voted unanimously to adopt the report.

It was moved and seconded that we put off the discussion of Boiling Springs until tomorrow. Voted unanimously.

The committee appointed to revise the Constitution suggested that Article I be revised to read; "This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association."

Article V. "The Officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries."

Article XII. "All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association, if possible before adjournment."

It was voted unanimously to adopt the changes made by the Committee.

It was voted that the Moderator appoint a committee to meet with the ex-treasurer to bring the book up to date, and get all receipts.

It was voted to hear the reading of Little Snowbird's letter after which it was voted unanimously to accept the letter and seat the messengers.

Sister Nan Smith spoke on the benefits of a Training Union. Telling us that the Training Union teaches us why we are Baptists. It will help us to better express ourselves before a crowd. The Training Union will help us to teach someone else, it will help us to be more willing to teach. In the B.T.U. we learn the doctrines of our church, about our Mission program, and it will strengthen our faith.

The minutes of the day were read after which they were adopted by unanimous vote.

While a song was sung an offering was taken and a fellowship handshake was given.

Benediction by Bro. Nick Bradley.

Church and Membership and Contributions

CHURCH	PASTOR	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT	Baptisms	Church Mem.	S. S. Mem.	W. M. U.	R. A.	G. A.	Brotherhood	Local Contributions	Denominational Contributions	Grand Total
Big Cove	John Walkingstick	Eli Wolfe, Cherokee	3	64	65					311.98		311.98
Big Witch	Nick Bradley	Ed Welch, Cherokee	3	29	41					957.44	73.28	1031.05
Boiling Springs	Ike Jackson	Eugene Welch, Bryson City		15	16					335.95		335.95
Cherokee	Charles Ginn	Mike Walkingstick, Chero.	9	290	129	15	2	27	12	2719.88	811.28	3531.16
Echota	Robert Bushyhead	Lloyd Lambert, Bryson City	4	58	20					57.42		57.42
Little Snowbird	John Walkingstick	Noah Teestateskie, Robbin.	1	8	32					172.27	8.00	180.27
Macedonia	Enoch Owle	Sam Queen, Cherokee	14	164	154					2128.95	93.17	2222.12
Piney Grove			1	37	25							
Rock Hill	Ike Jackson	Peter Thompson, Whittier		44	40					13.75	7.20	21.05
Rock Springs	William Moody	Fred Bradley, Cherokee	3	147	120					367.51	10.50	2378.01
Sequoyah		James H. Smith, Cherokee	9	44	50	11	3	1				
Straight Fork	John Walkingstick	Russel Tooni, Cherokee	15	123	166					205.28		209.51
Wrights Creek	Phillip Lambert	John Smith, Cherokee		25	63					466.02	74.00	512.02
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle	Calvin Lossiah. Cherokee	6	127	169					1149.54	106.85	1256.39
Zion Hill	Ike Jackson	Joe Conseen, Robbinsville	4	53	23					93.94	2.50	96 44

HISTORICAL TABLE – Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian

YEAR	CHURCH	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1910	Macedonia	Rev. George Hornbuckle	Rev. Vandaley Bradley	John Mumblehead
1911		Rev. W. B. Ratliff	Rev. Andrew Otter	Jackson Long
1914	Yellow Hill	Rev. W. B. Ratliff	Rev. Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1923	Echota	Rev. J. N. Lee	Rev. Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambert
1924	Cherokee	Rev. Ute Jumper	Rev. Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambert
1927	Zion Hill	Rev. Ute Jumper	Rev. Ute Jumper	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1928	Echota	Rev. Andrew Otter	Rev. Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1929	Macedonia	Rev. Andrew Otter	Rev. Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1930	Cherokee	Rev. Andrew Otter	Rev. Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1931	Rock Springs	Rev. J. N. Lee	Rev. Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1932	Macedonia	Rev. Andrew Otter	Rev. Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1933	Macedonia	Rev. Vandaley Bradley	Rev. Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1936	Wrights Creek	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Rev. Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1938	Zion Hill		Rev. R. C. Smith	Johnson Owle
1939	Echota	Rev. Robert Smith	Rev. Robert Smith	Johnson Owle
1940	Big Cove	Rev. Robert Bushyhead	Rev. Robert Bushyhead	Rev. Sibbald Smith
1941	Macedonia	Rev. Dewitt Owle	Rev. Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1942	Yellow Hill	Rev. Wm. Welch	Rev. Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1943	Rock Hill	Rev. Dewitt Owle	Rev. William Welch	Mrs. Ella West
1944	Echota	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Rev. William Welch	Mrs. Ella West
1945	Piney Grove	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Rev. R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1948	Macedonia	Rev. Dewitt Owle	Rev. R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1949	Sequoyah	Rev. Dewitt Owle	Rev. Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella West
1950	Straight Fork	Rev. Robert Bushyhead	Rev. Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella West
1953	Big Witch		Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Mrs. Louwana Crowe

Yellow Hill Baptist Church
Cherokee, North Carolina
October 1, 1954

The meeting began with singing led by Brother Noah Cucumber. Devotion led by Sister Elizabeth Crowe, using as her scripture reading 2 Timothy 2:15., telling us that if we are to promote God's kingdom here on earth we must study the word of God so we may rightly teach others.

Prayer led by Brother Jarrett Blythe.

It was voted unanimously that we hear the letter by Piney Grove read.

Roll call was next in order with 40 messengers present.

Brother J. C. Canipe was next on the program speaking on the subject "Promoting Evangelism." Giving us as an example, Habakkuk. In the 1st chapter we see Habakkuk arguing with God and in the 2nd chapter God is talking to him and then in the 3rd chapter Habakkuk's eyes are opened and he is revived and he falls on his knees and prays for a Spiritual Revival, and we, too, need to repent and pray for a great spiritual revival of the whole world. We can't expect our preachers to do it all, but we each one must do our part, working together to win souls to God. Jesus loves all and wants to save ALL.

After Dr. Canipes message the meeting was turned over to Bro. Charles Ginn who brought the morning sermon, using as his scripture reading Matt. 5:1-13 Gen. 1:26-27, telling us that we are the salt of the earth, we must be about our Fathers business and hold Him up before lost humanity. If we fail to perform the work which was left us to do, we become as the salt which is good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under foot of man. We must be about our Fathers business where ever we are and at all times. The time has come for us to give ourselves wholly to the Master to be led by Him.

While a song was sung an offering was taken.

It was voted unanimously to see the film "The Land We Love" tonight before the preaching service.

While another song was sung a fellowship handshake was given. Adjourn for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Russel Hornbuckle. Devotion led by Bro. Calvin Lossiah using as his scripture reading John 3:14-16.

Prayer led by Brother Bird Wade.

Mrs. Vera Payne spoke on "Promoting W.M.U. Work Among Our Churches."

Next on the program was a digest of the church letters by Sister Laverne Huskey. After hearing the report it was voted unanimously to adopt it.

The following reports were read and adopted by unanimous vote; Denomination, Time and Place, Sunday School, Obituary, Ordained Ministers and Historian.

It was voted unanimously to excuse the Echota messengers the following day.

The minutes were read and it was moved and seconded that we turn the meeting over to Bro. James Hayes, Supt. of N. C. Home for the Aging, who spoke to us about the work there.

It was voted unanimously to adopt the minutes as read.

Benediction by Bro. Hayes.

An offering of $11.01 was given to the home.

Yellow Hill Baptist Church
Cherokee, North Carolina
October 2, 1954.

The meeting began with singing led by the Moderator. Devotion led by Brother Jarrett Blythe using as his scripture reading Acts 2:36-46. Prayer led by Brother Esiah George.

Roll call was next in order with 31 messengers present.

Brother J. C. Pipes spoke to us on the subject "Promoting God's Plan Among Men", or God's job for Baptists. First letting God's word tell us what our tasks are and then the directions for carrying them out. In Mark 16:15 He tells us to Go into All the World and preach the gospel to every creature. In Matt. 28:19-20 we are told to go teach and baptize them and then teach them to observe all things the Lord has commanded us to do. And in Matt 25:31-36 he shows us some more of our duties. Then if we will read the first part of the fourth chapter of John we can follow Jesus footsteps in winning souls. 1. He went out where the lost were. 2. He counted the lowest of people worthy to talk to. 3. He knew that the woman was the key to winning the city.

A song was led by Brother Bill Crowe and prayer led by Brother Dock Smith.

Brother Clifford Hornbuckle brought the morning sermon using as his scripture reading Acts 1:8; Acts 16:9; Acts 10:4, telling us that 1. God has challenged us to co-operation; 2. Our prayers are a memorial before God; 3. Parents need to co-operate with children; 4. Homes need to co-operate with churches; 5. Churches need to co-operate with the Association. Each one of us should say, "Lord, not my will, but thine be done."

While a song was sung a fellowship handshake was given and an invitation extended to anyone who wished to rededicate their life to God.

An offering was taken.

Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing.

Devotion led by Sister Vera Payne using as her scripture reading Matt. 27:11-24, reminding us that we need to be honest and stand for what is right so that there will be no blood dripping from our hands.

Prayer led by Brother John Walkingstick.

The Temperance report was given and adopted by a unanimous vote.

Brother Enoch Owle gave his missionary report and it was adopted by unanimous vote.

The Associational Missionary Committee recommended Rev. Esiah George as missionary to our Indian churches to work with Rev. Ewell Payne our general missionary. It was voted unanimously to elect these two Brothers as our Associational Missionaries.

Bro. Payne read a resolution asking Christian people of the Southern Baptist Convention to quit coming to the Reservation on Sunday for pleasure and misusing the Lord's day.

It was voted unanimously to adopt the resolution and appoint Bro. Ewell Payne and Bro. William Moody as a committee to have the resolution printed and distributed.

It was voted to open discussion concerning a missionary to the Catawba Indians in Rockhill, S. C.

It was voted unanimously that the Association appoint Brother Ewell Payne, Brother Clifford Hornbuckle, and Brother William Moody as a committee to go to S. C. and look over the situation.

It was voted to give each missionary $30.00 for their services this past year and give Bro. Payne and Bro. Esiah George $30.00 next year plus the love offering they receive from the churches they visit.

Brother Nick Bradley gave his financial report and it was adopted by a unanimous vote.

It was voted to hear the minutes read. They were adopted by a unanimous vote.

Benediction by the Moderator.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

TIME and PLACE:

The next Association will be held with the Big Cove Baptist Church, September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 1955.

Naomi Sneed, Rachel Hornbuckle, John Walkingstick, Committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This past Associational year we had an increase in Sunday Schools in our Association. Last year we had an enrollment of 949, this year we have increased our enrollment to 1,119. Our average attendance in Sunday School last year was 651, this year it is 708 per Sunday.

There are many people in our communities who are not enlisted in any Sunday School. We need to enroll them and win them to Christ. In this next Associational year lets go forward in a bigger way for Christ.

Respectfully submitted, Hattie Welch, Committee

DENOMINATION

The committee on Denomination finds our Association is composed of fifteen Indian Baptist Churches, two of which are in Graham County, the remaining thirteen in Swain and Jackson counties. The majority of them are pastored by men of our reservation.

We have in our Association now a general missionary, Rev. Ewell Payne, since the appointment of Rev. Charles Ginn by the home board to pastor the Cherokee Mission.

We found several of our churches still in their building programs, with a new home for Bro. and Mrs. Ginn, in the final stage of completion.

A general increase has been found in the most of our churches, while one or two show very little increase. More of our churches have Training Unions, larger Sunday Schools, with more people attending with larger and better offerings being given.

We find more churches cooperating in the simultanous revivals, union meetings and a greater interest shown in the tent revival and Sunday School Convention.

Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle
Committee

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

I had the privilege of visiting eight churches in revival services, with eighteen souls saved and seventy-two rededications. I also found three of these churches without Sunday Schools. I visited several homes and the hospitals. I also visited all of the churches with the exception of four.

The work and the experience has certainly been strengthening to me, for which I thank the Lord. I thank you for your co-operation and love.

Rev. Dock Smith,
Missionary

TEMPERANCE

This report is concerned with the abuses in private and public life that are caused by social evils. This report is designed to bring before us an interpretation of the principles of righteousness from the teaching of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, for the correction of these evils.

The church stands for cleanliness, purity and holiness. Liquor stands for impurity, hatred and filth. The church stands for marriage and sanctity. Liquor stands for faithlessness and adultry. The church stands for life full and complete. Liquor stands for dissolutionment and death. The church stands for happiness and health. Liquor stands for disease, despondency and despair. The church stands for honor. Liquor stands for dishonor. The church stands for care and safety. Liquor stands for recklessness, danger and death. The church stands for happiness and heaven. Liquor stands for bitterness and Hell.

We realize the problems can only be solved as we yield our will to the will of Jesus Christ. WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Respectfully submitted, Charles Ginn

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Dock Smith	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Bill Moody	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Enoch Owle	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Shepherd Squirrel	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Will Ratliff	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ed Lambert	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Martin Smith	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ewell Payne	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Dewitt Owle	Bryson City, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Robert Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.
Rev Bird Wade	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Goliath George	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Herman Ensley	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Dewitt Chickalelee	Robbinsville, N. C.
Rev. John Walkingstick	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Sam Walkingstick	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Solomon Queen	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Charles Ginn	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ute Jumper	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ike Jackson	Robbinsville, N. C.
Rev. Dewees Bradley	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. William Welch	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Robert Smith	

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

	Last Year	This Year
S. S. Enrollment	949	1,119
Average Attendance	651	708
Church Membership	1,209	1,228
Total Local Expenses	$10,757.82	$11,187.61
Total All Purposes	$12,135.98	$12,202.06
Training Union	105	162
Bible School	576	755
Baptisms	75	83

Submitted by Laverne Huskey.

OBITUARY

Piney Grove— Mr. Henry Lossiah.
Rock Springs— Mrs. Maude Welch, Mrs. Rosebud Sneed, Mrs. Marion Parton, Mr. Jesse Maney, Mr. Carl Standingdeer.
Sequoyah— Mr. Edward Walkingstick.
Straight Fork— Mrs. Lou Swayney.

Respectfully submitted, Ed Welch Committee

The following is a copy of the resolution passed by the Association:

Cherokee, North Carolina

October 2, 1954

We the Cherokee Indians of Cherokee Indian Baptist Association, Cherokee, North Carolina, in regular business session of our annual Association are calling on all Southern Baptists and other Christians to cooperate with us in keeping the Lord's day holy and preserving Christianity for the present and future generations.

Since our Reservation is visited each year by thousands of tourists it has become a real Sunday problem to the native Christians who are seeking to carry on the Lord's work. Therefore, we prayerfully and sincerely ask all who are concerned about our spiritual welfare from coming to our reservation for pleasure on Sunday.

Since the directors of the drama, "Unto These Hills" have turned a deaf ear to our requests for them not to show on Sunday we are turning to the Chrstian public to give us your full cooperation by refusing to give it your support on Sunday.

We are also seeking the prayers of our friends that we may be allowed to make the same progress in our church activities as our sister churches who are not confronted with such problems.

Signed: Wm. S. Moody, Moderator, Mrs. Louwana Crowe, Clerk of Association.

FINANCE REPORT

Emily Walkingstick, former treasurer	$89.03
Straight Fork	10.00
Wrights Creek	10.00
Echota	10.00
Rock Springs	10.00
Big Cove	10.00
Boiling Springs	10.00
Rock Hill	10.00
Sequoyah	10.00
Zion Hill	10.00
Mission	10.00
Yellow Hill	10.00
Macedonia	10.00
Little Snowbird	10.00
Big Witch	10.00
Piney Grove	10.00
Special Collection	30.65
Big Witch—by Rev. Nick Bradley for Missions	3.25
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$232.28
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$125.00
BALANCE	$107.28

Mrs. Mary B. Blythe, Treasurer.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. Wm. S. Moody, Moderator	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. L. R. Bumgartner, Asst. Moderator.	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Louwana Crowe, Clerk	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.

Historians

Bro. Jarrett Blythe	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George, Interpreter	Whittier, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Ewell Payne	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George	Whittier, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place: Margaret Davis, Naomi Sneed, Agnes Lossiah. Cherokee, N. C.

Denomination: William Payne	Bryson City, N. C.
Temperance: Elizabeth Crowe	Cherokee, N. C.
Sunday School: Jarrett Owle	Bryson City, N. C.
Ordained Ministers: Viola French	Cherokee, N. C.
Finance: James Bradley	Cherokee, N. C.
Obituary: Hattie Welch	Cherokee, N. C.

MESSENGERS

BIG COVE—Buck West, John Walkingstick, Jess Swayney, Susie West, Katie Davis, Emma Walkingstick.

BIG WITCH—Nick Bradley, Elizabeth Crowe, Thelma Wilnota.

BOILING SPRINGS—Caroline Conseen, Maggie Wahneetah, Bird Wade

CHEROKEE—Nan Smith, Margaret Saunooke, Naomi Sneed, Bill Crowe, Vera Payne, Sally Browning, Cain Saunooke, Oliver Smith, Blake Sneed, Janie Baumgartner.

ECHOTA—Stacy Welch, Nancy Bushyhead, Jarrett Owle.

LITTLE SNOWBIRD—Noah Teesateskie, Winnie Teesateskie.

MACEDONIA—David Larch, Joe Long, Mary Blythe, Sallie Hornbuckle.

PINEY GROVE—Agnes Lossiah, Mary Shell, Boyd Shell, Lillian Lossiah

ROCK HILL—Esiah George, Peter Thompson.

ROCK SPRINGS—William Moody, James Bradley, Claudis Seay, Sara Arneach.

STRAIGHT FORK—Mandy Swimmer, Roy French, Mason Driver, Lizzie Teeni, Luke Swimmer.

WRIGTHS CREEK—Ruff Fingers, Russell Hornbucle, Ben Hornbuckle, Stacy Hornbuckle, Rachel Hornbuckle, Juanita Hornbuckle.

SEQUOYAH: Meroney French, Viola French, Emily Walkingstick.

YELLOW HILL—Callie Arch, Lou Crowe, Hattie Welch, Ella West, Jim West, Isreal Davis.

ZION HILL—Sam Brown.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.

3. The moderator shall nomnate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

4. No sujbect shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.

8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a. m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p. m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business sessions of the meeting are over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.

ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary, incidental expenses, and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum: appoint committees, decide all questions: give his opinion concerning and subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association. If possible before adjournment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordainer Ministers Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Obituary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

Cherokee, N. C. Big Cove Baptist Church
September 29, 1955

The meeting began with singing led by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

Devotion led by Bro. John Walkingstick using as his scripture reading; Luke 3:4-6 Prayer led by Rev. Leslie Baumgartner.

The church letters were read and messengers were enrolled.

It was moved and seconded that we adopt the letters and seat the messengers. Voted unanimously.

The election of officers was next in order. The following were elected moderator, Rev. Wm. S. Moody; assistant moderator, Rev. L. R. Baumgartner; Clerk, Mrs. Louwana Crowe; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Blythe; Historian, Bro. Ben Bushyhead-Bro. Jarrett Blythe; Interpreter, Rev. Esiah George; Associational Missionaries, Rev. Ewell Payne-Rev. Esiah George.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator: Sunday School, Bro. Jarrett Owle; Denominational, Rev. William Payne. Temperance, sister Elizabeth Crowe; Obituary, sister Hattie Welch. Ordained Ministers, sister Viola French; Finance, Bro. James Bradley; Time and Place, sisters Margaret Davis, Naomi Sneed, Agnes Lossiah.

A song was sung and an offering of $7.17 was taken.

It was moved and seconded that we adopt the tentative program for the Association. Voted unanimously.

Rev. Titus H. Morton of Albemarle, N. C.. spoke briefly using as his scripture reading Isaiah 54:2-3. Rev William Moody continued the service using as his scripture reading Proverbs 11:30. His subject was "He That Winneth Souls Is Wise."

Adourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Ben Bushyhead. Devotion led by Bro. Jess Swayney using as his scripture reading Psalms 23, Prayer led by Rev. Esiah George.

The Associational Missionaries gave their reports and they were unanimously adopted.

The rules of Decorum and the Constitution of the Association were read by the Moderator.

The letters of Zion Hill and Yellow Hill and Straight Fork were read and the messengers were enrolled.

It was moved and seconded that we Adopt all the letters and seat the messengers. Voted unanimously. All the churches of the Association were represented with 33 messengers present.

It was moved and seconded that we appoint Bro Joe Long as Baptist Hospital Representative from the Association. Voted unanimously.

Rev. L. R. Baumgartner brought the afternoon sermon using as his scripture reading the book of Jude.

Prayer led by Bro. Baumgartner.

The minutes of the day were read and approved by a unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Ewell Payne.

Big Cove Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
September 30, 1955.

The meeting began with singing led by Bro. Ben Bushyhead. Devotion led by sister Viola French using as her scripture Matt. 18:3-5 Mark 10:13-15. Prayer led by Rev. Isiah George.

Roll call was next in order with 26 messengers present.

Rev. Emory L. Williams spoke to us on the subject "Preparing the Way Through Evangelism."

After the message a song was sung and the meeting turned over to Bro. J. M. Hayes, supt. of the N. C. Baptist Homes Inc. Who made a report on the Homes for the Ageing and the Baptist Hospital.

After Bro. Hayes' report a song was sung and Bro. E. L. Spivey spoke to us on the subject "Preparing the Way Through State Missions."

After the message a song was sung and we had a fellowship hand shake.

Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing. Devotion led by Bro. Isreal Davis using as his scripture Luke 10:1-2. Prayer led by Rev. John Walkingstick.

Mrs. Nan Smith spoke to us on the subject "Preparing the Way through Cooperative Giving."

Bro. Ben Bushyhead gave his Historians Report and it was unanimously adopted.

The Boiling Springs Church brought a letter of dismissal from the West Liberty Baptist Association to unite with this association. It was moved and seconded that we approve the letter and the Moderator extend to them the right hand of fellowship. Voted unanimously

Bro. Lawson Allen, representative of Gardner-Webb College spoke to us briefly about the college.

A song was sung and the meeting was turned over to Rev. Ike Jackson who brought the afternoon sermon using as his scripture Matt. 11:29; Phillipi 2:5; I Peter 2:21 and speaking in the Cherokee language.

The minutes of the day were read and approved by a unanimous vote.

The meeting closed with a benediction by Rev. L. R. Baumgartner.

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Big Cove Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
October 1, 1955

The meeting began with singing. Devotion led by Bro. Calvin Lossiah using as his scripture Isaiah 55:1-4. Prayer led by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

Roll call was next in order with 25 messengers present.

Bro. Primitivo Delgado of Marion, Va., spoke to us on the subject "Preparing the Way Through Home and Foreign Missions."

Moved and seconded that we authorize our treasurer to give our visiting brethren $15.00 for expenses. Voted unanimously.

Rev Haven Lowe brought the morning senmon using as his scripture Matt. 13:44-50. His subject was "Preparing the Way of the Lord Through the Preaching of the Kingdom of God."

A song was sung and we had a fellowship handshake.

Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing. Devotion led by sister Elizabeth Crowe using as her scripture Isaiah 40:18-31. Prayer led by Rev. Haven Lowe.

The following reports were given by the committees: Sunday School, Denomination, Temperance, Obituary, Ordained Ministers, Finance, Time and Place and Treasurer.

It was voted unanimously to accept all the reports as read.

It was voted unanimously that Rev. Bill Moody be elected as our representative for the Home for the Ageing.

It was voted unanimously to let the clerk insert the names of the elected officers of the reservation W. M. U. in the minutes of the association for information.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution read to us by Bro. Baumgartner be adopted by the association. Voted unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to meet with the chief executives of the organizations mentioned in the resolution and that the moderator be a member of it. Voted unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded that we approve the minutes as read. Voted unanimously.

Moved and seconded that we close the business part of the Association. Voted unanimously.

While a song was sung a Christian handshake was given.

The meeting was closed with the benediction by Rev. Bill Moody.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Ordained Ministers

Dock Lambert	Cherokee, N. C.
William S. Moody	Cherokee, N. C.
Esiah George	Whittier, N. C.
Clifford Hornbuckle	Whittier, N. C.
Hermon Ensley	Cherokee, N. C.
Bird Wade	Whittier, N. C.
Goliath George	Whittier, N. C.
Deweese Bradley	Cherokee, N. C.
Robert Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.
Ute Jumper	Whittier, N. C.
Ben Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.
Ike Jackson	Robbinsville, N. C.
Dewitt Owle	Bryson City, N. C.
Sheppard Squirrel	Cherokee, N. C.
Dock Smith	Cherokee, N. C.
L. R. Baumgartner	Cherokee, N. C.
Ewell Payne	Cherokee, N. C.
William Payne, Box 174	Bryson City, N. C.
John Walkingstick	Cherokee, N. C.
Nick Bradley	Whittier, N. C.
Ed Lambert	Cherokee, N. C.
Enoch Owle	Cherokee, N. C.
Will Ratliff	Cherokee, N. C.
Solomon Queen	Cherokee, N. C.
Martin Smith	Cherokee, N.. C.

OBITUARY

BIG COVE—Mr. Cain Ross, Mr. Will Driver.

MACEDONIA—Mrs. Nannie Blythe, Mrs. Polly Long.

PINEY GROVE—Mr. Willie Teesateskie.

ROCK SPRINGS—Rev. William Welch.

STRAIGHT FORK-Mrs. Sallie Ann Wolfe, Mrs. Gertrude Swayney, Miss Sarah Welch.

DENOMINATION

We have made great progress this year in our churches on the Reservation. More churches have taken part in activities than ever before. Many of the churches are in a building program or have plans for buildings in the near future.

The following churches have made improvements on the church building or have constructed a new building: Big Cove— New Church Building; Rock Springs—Started new building; Little Snowbird—New church building; Zion Hill—New church building.

The following have made plans for building as soon as possible: Macedonia—New Sunday School rooms; Straight Fork—New Sunday School rooms.

We now have five churches that have WMU organizations. On October 3, 1955 a meeting will be held for organizing an associational W. M. U.

This year more af the churches have made an offering to the Co-operative Program.

The following churches had Vacation Bible Schools this year: Mission, Macedonia, Yellow Hill, Echota, Rock Springs, Boiling Springs, Rock Hill, Sequoyah, Wrights Creek, Big Witch. Because of the bad road there was not a school in the Big Cove or Straight Fork Churches.

Bro. Leslie Baumgartner, the pastor of the Mission church, has come to be with us this year.

This is the fifth year that we have had Simultaneous Revivals on our Reservation. We are looking forward to more in the future. Every church is urged to read all of our denominational literature to help themselves and others to become stronger workers in our churches..

We want to insist that more people subscribe for our denominational magazines and papers, the give more to our Baptist causes—Cooperative Program, Children's Home, Home for Aged, Baptist Hospital—Also organize more Training Unions, Womens Missionary Societies and Brotherhoods.

Billy Payne, Committee.

TEMPERANCE

In the Bible(Romans 14:21) we read, "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak."

Too many times a man is condemned because he is a drunkard. He is left by the wayside to die in his sins. Perhaps he has faith in Christ yet he has failed to add temperance to that faith. Will we pass him by as the priest and the Levite that we read of in the teachings of Christ, or can we do as the Samaritan and show him mercy? Can we soothe his spirit, so wounded by strong drink, with kindness? Can we bandage his wounds with brotherly love, and pick him up on the word of God and carry him to the foot of

the cross and leave him there and say, "My God, if I have not done enough show me how I can do more." If we as Christian people can do this, then many of the 70 million people in our country that drink strong drink would be added to the 50 million who do not.

As we gather together in God's house worshipping in song, in prayer, by reading and hearing God's word, we often see someone walk outside, turning their back on the worshippings of God, only to smoke a cigarette or to chew tobacco, satisfying the lust of the flesh. The money spent for tobacco which is so useless to us could well be used in the service of God. Many who do this have faith in God yet have failed to add temperance to that faith. And because they are seen loitering outside the place of worship they hurt their influence over lost men that may be watching.

Many times we go to Sunday School and worship service and study and hear of hungry people, not only in foreign lands, but here in our own country. Still we go home and eat so much we're groggy the rest of the day and can hardly think straight, much less being willing to share that what the Lord has made possible for us to have. Do you wonder why? Again I say, having faith and failing to add temperance to faith.

Then we have gossiping and scandlemonging tongues which, if they were bridled with temperance, could be used for the spreading of the gospel and not gossiping, that could be used in preparing the way of our Lord and not scandalmonging.

I write of these things not because I have just seen them, but because I have experienced them and because of this experience I know we can add temperance to our faith only with the help of God, and we can have this help freely only when we accept the gift of his love, thru Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe

TIME and PLACE

The Next Association Will Be Held With The Cherokee Baptist Mission, October 5, 6, 7, 8, 1956.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This past associational year we had a decrease in the Sunday School in our association. Last year we had an enrollment of 1,119, this year we have an enrollment of 1,073.

Our average attendance in Sunday School last year was 708. This year the average attendance was 771.

There are many people in all our communities who are not enrolled in Sunday School. We as Christians should go out into these communities and try to win them to Christ and enroll them in our Sunday Schools.

This next associational year lets go out in a big way and try to bring our beloved ones to Christ.

Respecfully submitted, Brother Jarrett Owle.

FINANCE

Receipts for Associational year 1954-55.

CHURCHES

Big Cove	$10.00
Big Witch	$10.00
Boiling Springs	$10.00
Snowbird	$10.00
Macedonia	$10.00
Piney Grove	$20.00
Rock Hill	$10.00
Rock Springs	$10.00
Straight Fork	$10.00
Sequoyah	$10.00
Wrights Creek	$10.00
Yellow Hill	$10.00
Zion Hill	$10.00
Mission	$10.00
Special Collections	$20.65
By Emily Walkingstick	$20.00
Special for S. C. Mission	
Big Witch by Nick Bradley	$3.25
Big Witch by Jim Crowe	$6.75
Yellow Hill by Bill Moody	$10.00
Macedonia by Jarrett Blythe	$10.00
Rock Springs by Bill Moody	$10.00
Brought forward	$89.03
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$329.68
DISBURSEMENTS	$207.43
BALANCE ON HAND	$122.25

DISBURSEMENTS

Minutes	$55.00
Clerk	$10.00
Treasurer	$5.00
Rev. Dock Smith	$30.00
Mission work. Rev. Enoch Owle	$30.00
S. C. Mission Trip	$42.43
To Bill Moody for expenses of Clifford Hornbuckle	$15.00
To Esiah George for expenses of mission work	$20.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$207.43

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Rev. Esiah George stated that he had visited all of the churches on the Reservation this year and about nine of them twice. He stated that he had gotten very little financial support from them.

The following are the elected officers of the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Associational W. M. U. 1955-56.

Mrs. Ewell Payne, Cherokee, N. C. — Supt.

Mrs. Carie Seay, Cherokee, N. C. — Asst. Supt.

Mrs. Dorothy Payne, Cherokee, N. C. — Secretary

Mrs. Amnda Walkingstick, Cherokee, N. C. — Treasurer

Mrs. R. L. Baumgartner, Cherokee, N. C. Young Peoples director.

Mrs. Claudia Seay, Cherokee, N. C., Community Missions chairman.

Mrs. Nan Smith, Cherokee, N. C. Stewardship chairman.

Mrs. Ella West, Cherokee, N. C. Mission Study chairman.

Mrs. Viola French, Cherokee, N. C. Literature chairman.

Mrs. Emily Walkingstick, Cherokee, N. C. publicity, chairman.

The Association adopted the following resolution:

In view of the apparent disregard for the Lord's day as evidensed by the unlimited commercialization of the day on our reservation, and in respect for the clean teachings of the scriptures concerning Sabbath observances

Be it resolved that we, the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association, meeting in our 74th annual session, do hereby, earnestly and respectfully appeal to Supt. Richard D. Butts, of the Indian agency, to the honorable Chief of the Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, to the Cherokee Historical Association, and to the Cherokee Traders Association, and any other traders, to take steps to work out a cooperative plan by which all non-essential business places of entertainment and amusement, and all other non-essential commercial enterprises, whether carried on by profit or non-profit organizations may close their operations and performances on the Lord's day, in respectful observance of the Christian Sabbath.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be conveyed in writing to Supt. Butts and to the chief executives of each of the bodies or organizations named herein.

Be it further resolved that we commend those commercial places already observing Sunday closing.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

During the associational year 1954-55 I visited in all the churches in the association and preached in most of them. I received approximately $30.00 in freewill offerings from the various churches.

In April '55 we conducted the fifth annual Reservation-wide revival with thirteen visiting ministers taking part. The best cooperation ever prevailed in this revival.

With the assistance of student workers for the summer Vacation Bible Schools were conducted in most all the churches with a good enrollment.

The working spirit as a whole among the churches is on the upward look.

The Big Cove and Zion Hill have new church buildings to worship in, even though they are not completed.

Ewell Payne, Missionary

HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

The first organization of the association was known as "Swain Indian Baptist Association" organized by the Tuckaseigee Association in the year 1881. The second named, "The Cherokee Baptist Association", in 1910. The third named, "The Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association" and the fourth named "The Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association", in 1953.

Missionaries sent to the Cherokees by the Home Mission Board were as follows:

Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Lee, 1917-1933.

Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Sinclair, 1933-1935.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald, 1935-1944.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Jeter Johnson, 1944-1948.

Rev. and Mrs. Ewell Payne, 1948 and still in the field.

CHURCHES—Echota, 1952; Yellow Hill, 1873; Macedonia, 1880; Big Cove, 1886; Wrights Creek, 1900; Boiling Springs, 1904; Piney Grove, 1910; Cherokee Mission, 1923; Straight Fork, 1939; Rock Hill, 1941; Sequoyah, 1945; Big Witch, 1951, Rock Springs, Zion Hill, 1909; Little Snowbird, 1950.

We have 25 ministers in our association. One loss by death, our beloved Rev. William Welch. We have 1228 church members, 1118 Sunday School members, and 5 college students to help promote our work.

Your Historian, Ben Bushyhead

HISTORICAL TABLE — Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian

YEAR	CHURCH	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1910	Macedonia	George Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	John Mumblehead
1911		W. B. Ratliff	Andrew Otter	Jackson Long
1912	Echota	John Jackson	Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1914	Yellow Hill	W. B. Ratliff	Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1915	Rock Springs		Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1923	Echota	J. N. Lee	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambert
1924	Cherokee	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambert
1925	Rock Springs	James Screamer	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambert
1927	Zion Hill	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1928	Echota	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1929	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1930	Cherokee	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1931	Rock Springs	J. N. Lee	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1932	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1933	Macedonia	Vandaley Bradley	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1934	Echota	Jena Lossie	Ute Jumper	W. L. French
1936	Wrights Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1938	Zion Hill		R. C. Smith	Johnson Owle
1939	Echota	Robert Smith	Robert Smith	Johnson Owle
1940	Big Cove	Robert Bushyhead	Robert Bushyhead	Sibbald Smith
1941	Macedonia	Dewitt Owle	Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1942	Yellow Hill	Wm. Welch	Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1943	Rock Hill	Dewitt Owle	William Welch	Mrs. Ella West
1944	Echota	Clifford Hornbuckle	William Welch	Mrs. Ella West
1945	Piney Grove	Clifford Hornbuckle	R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1948	Macedonia	Dewitt Owle	R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella West
1949	Sequoyah	Dewitt Owle	Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella West
1950	Straight Fork	Robert Bushyhead	Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella West
1953	Big Witch		Clifford Hornbuckle	Mrs. Lou Crowe
1954	Yellow Hill	Nick Bradley	William S. Moody	Mrs. Lou Crowe

Church, Membership and Contributions

CHURCH	PASTORS & ADDRESS	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPT.	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	W. M. U.	G. A.	Brotherhood	Local Contributions	Denominations Contributions	Grand Total
Big Cove	John Walkingstick, Cherokee	Manda Walkingstick, Cherokee	3	63	45				281.36	5.00	567.72
Big Witch	Nick Bradley, Rt. 1 Whittier	John Crowe, Cherokee		27	47				985.63	145.97	1131.65
Boiling Springs	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Eugene Owle, Rt. 1 Bryson City		17	11				76.00		76.00
Cherokee	Leslie Baumgartner, Cheroke	Mike Walkingstick, Cherokee	4	284	125	16	12	13	3245.36	460.24	3705.60
Echota	Ben Bushyhead, Whittier	Tarrett Owle, Rt. 1, Bryson C		64	74				202.00		202.00
Little Snowbird		Noah Teesateskie, Robbinsville	7	18					301.47		301.47
Macedonia	William Payne, Bryson City	George Burgess, Rt. 1, Whittier		166	115	9			2374.39	206.79	2581.18
Piney Grove		Boyd Shell, Cherokee		37	30				3.34		3.34
Rock Hill	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Ammons George, Whittier	4	53	51				120.00	6.30	126.30
Rock Springs	William Moody, Cherokee	James Bradley, Cherokee	7	193		16			2012.43	17.25	2029.67
Sequoyah	John Walkingstick, Cherokee	James Smith, Cherokee		44		16			76.23	31.60	107.83
Straight Fork	Dock Smith, Cherokee	Emerson Sequoyah, Cherokee	2	124		11			661.84	57.11	718.95
Wrights Creek	Ruff Fingers, Rt. 1, Waynes	Jacob Maney, Cherokee	4						596.45	10.00	596.45
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Chero	Joe Johnson, Cherokee	1	140					2587.07	97.63	2684.76
Zion Hill	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Joe Conseen, Robbinsville	1	52					68.69		68.69

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held with

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH
September 30, October 1 & 2, 1976
Cherokee, N.C.

THEME: "KEEP THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT"
Ephesians 4:3

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Organized 1881

NEXT ANNUAL SESSION
September 29, 30, October 1
ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Robbinsville, N.C.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. James Parris	Moderator
Bro. Isaac Welch	Assistant Moderator
Bro. J. Gilbert	Clerk
Bro. Dillard Maney	Treasurer

COMMITTEES

TIME AND PLACE
- Bro. Israel Davis
- Sister Sarah Owl
- Bro. Leroy Wahnetah

MISSIONARY ELECTION
- Bro. Dock Smith
- Bro. Mason Ledford
- Bro. Thomas Lambert

PROGRAM OR ARRANGEMENTS
- Bro. Isaac Welch
- Bro. Bert Swimmer
- Bro. John Driver
- Bro. J.D. Griffin

MINUTES
- Bro. James Parris
- Bro. J Gilbert
- Bro. Haven Lowe

FINANCE
- Bro. Alfred Panther
- Bro. Israel Davis
- Bro. Frank Taylor

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the association but vote on none.

3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion and second.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.

6. No speaker shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the association.

8. The association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. and close at 3:00 p.m.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.....This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II....The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishments of this to be strictly comformale to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III...This association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting if over, unless excused by the body.

ARTICLE IV.....The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment; also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in one the first day of the association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each annual session to pay the expenses of the association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for two years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the association.

ARTICLE V.....The officers of the association shall be moderator, assistant moderator, interpreter, clerk, treasurer, historian and missionary.

ARTICLE VI....It shall be the duty of the Moderator, to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject of discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

CONSTITUTION continued

ARTICLE VII...It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE IX...Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers.

ARTICLE X...The association may invite visiting brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI...The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as the association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day. The exception to this election shall be the association missionary, who will be elected on the last day.

ARTICLE XII...All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

ARTICLE XIII..We will receive no ministers into this association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee
5. Denomination Sermon
6. Hear report of committees
7. Elect Missionary
8. Provide for printing of minutes
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day
10. Miscelleaneous business

PROCEEDINGS
Ninety-sixth Annual Session
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Cherokee Baptist Church
September 30, October 1 & 2, 1976

THURSDAY, September 30th

The service opened with singing, followed by prayer, led by Bro. Mason Ledford. Additional singing, led by Norman West, preceded the devotion led by Bro. Leroy Wahnetah. He was given Psalm 133 as his Scripture and chose as his subject, "Unity of Believers." This period closed with a prayer by Bro. Dan Lambert. The letters were read and accepted and messengers seated with the following exception. The letters of Rock Springs and Children's Home Chapel were to be ruled on later because both listed Bro. Charles Craig on their obituary lists. Ten (10) churches were represented with 36 messengers answering roll call. (See section of reports).

After a discussion, it was stated that the association has no rules regarding the allowing of letters to members wishing to move to another church, but it is left to the discretion of individual churches.

Election of officers followed with Bro. Isaac Welch interpreting in Cherokee. The following two (2) men were nominated for the office of Moderator for the coming year: Rev. Bo Parris and Rev. J.D. Griffin. Rev. Parris was re-elected by a majority of two (2).

Assistant Moderator and Interpreter; Bro. Isaac Welch was retained. The Moderator, Bro. Parris, noted that these two offices had been combined into one.

PROCEEDINGS (continued)

THURSDAY, September 30th

Treasurer Dillard Maney was retained.

"J" Gilbert was elected Clerk.

Bro. Parris then appointed Bro. John Standing-deer to lead a discussion on pastoral care this afternoon. He also appointed Bro. John David Arch, to bring a report on temperance, also this afternoon.

A song was then sung and an offering received for the Association. The offering was approximately $143.00.

The denomination sermon was then brought by Rev. Haven Lowe, pastor of Cherokee Baptist Church. Rev. Lowe first introduced Rev. Dale Hooper, Southern Baptist Missionary to kenya. Bro.Hooper had been a summer missionary to Cherokee in 1949. He spoke briefly of his work in Kenya, where Southern Baptists are able to reach millions for Christ through radio ministry.

Rev. Lowe used the Great Commission, Matthew 28:19-20. He said Christ has commissioned his church to act on His will. He then asked the question; Why world missions? - Jesus said "GO!" That's good enough. Our love should motivate us. What whould we do? - Pray, love the unlovely. How to do it?- win the lost.

He then referred to our Association theme of unity- we need to lead them to follow Christ in baptism and church membership.

Rev. Lowe stated there are changes that need to be made in our country but it is still the greatest. He said there are changes that need

PROCEEDINGS (continued)

THURSDAY, September 30th

to be made in the Southern Baptist Convention and on the Cherokee Indian Reservation. But we can't change them from the outside, only from the inside as cooperating members.

He concluded by saying we need to preach more on the positive and less on the negative. He said there are good things happening around us.

Bro. Bo commented that the church is either on the way to the mission field or the graveyard.

We dismissed to lunch with a prayer and song led by Bro. Norman West.

THURSDAY, Afternoon

Bro. Norman West led in song Service.

Bro. Gene Crowe brought a devotion on 1 Corinthians 1:10. He urged us to follow this scripture and let there be "No divisions among you." Bro. John Driver led in prayer.

Bro. Parris then appointed the following committees:

Time and Place

Israel Davis, Sarah Owl Leroy Wahnetah

Missionary selection
Dock Smith, Mason Ledford, Thomas Lambert

Program or Arrangements (This committee is to have a report ready for the Union Meeting just prior to the next Association Meeting.)

Isaac Welch, Bert Swimmer, John Driver, J.D. Griffin.

PROCEEDINGS (continued)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Minutes
Moderator, Clerk, Haven Lowe.

Bro. Isaac Welch at this point took over and presided for the rest of the afternoon session.

Mrs. Sylvia Walkingstick then gave the report of the Cherokee Baptist Child Care. She reported that the program is a mission project of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and that all who give to the Cooperative Program has a part in this Christian ministry. (See section of reports).

Bro. J.D. Griffin moved we accept the report of the Child Care. It was seconded and passed.

Bro. John Standingdeer led the discussion on pastoral support. He said we need to support our pastors by teaching at home. He read Luke 10L72 and commented.

Bro. John Driver added to the discussion. He urged us to practice what we preach.

Bro. Parris read John 8:39 and commented that tithing was necessary for Christians. 1 Corinthians 9:13-14 teaches that the tithes belong to the church were you belong.

Bro. J.D. Griffin moved to accept the report. It was seconded and passed.

The following asked to be excused; Bro. John Standingdeer-Thursday afternoon, Eilene Youngdeer-Saturday, Mary Wade Ball-Saturday, Russell Smith-Friday, and Ollie Jumper-Saturday. Bro.J.D. Griffin moved to excuse these; motion and second and passed.

Bro. John D. Arch brought the temperance report. He read Galatians 5:22-23. He pointed out that temperance is not necessarily drinking but we should be temperant in all things. He said the Holy Spirit should be the only power over us. Christians are not letting the Holy Spirit control them but are instead doing as they please. We need to live in the Spirit and walk in the Spirit.

Bro. Isaac Welch translated in Cherokee. Bro. Parris moved to accept the report, seonded and passed.

The minutes were then read by clerk "J" Gilbert of the day's proceedings. Bro. Leroy Wahnetah moved to accept the minutes, Bro. Israel Davis seonded and was passed. Adjourned with song and prayer.

THURSDAY NIGHT

Bro. Norman West led in singing. Bro. Dock Smith led in prayer. Bro. Parris read Ephesians 4:1 and commented on unity of the spirit. Bro. Haven Lowe led in prayer. Than Bro. John David Arch led in prayer.

Bro. John David Arch then preached in the absence of the scheduled preacher, Jim Sneed. He began with the theme and the Scripture, Ephesians 4:3. He preached on the meaning of endeavor. Closing prayer was by J.D. Griffin.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 1, 1976

Bro. Norman West led in congregational singing, followed by prayer, led by Bro. Isaac Welch. This was followed by more congregational singing.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 1, 1976 ---continued

Bro. Israel Davis brought a devotional on Luke 10:2. He asked the question "Who are the laborers?" He then translated in Cherokee and led in prayer.

The moderator read the Rules of Decorum.

The clerk called roll. There were 33 messengers present from 10 churches.

Bro. Roy French brought the ordained ministers report. (See section of reports).
Bro. French then urged these ordained ministers and also ordained deacons to take a more active part in the association and to live so we will be able to fellowship with one another.

Bro. Haven Lowe moved adoption of this report. Bro. Israel Davis seconded it. The one name will be listed seperately because he is not a member of the association. Several other names were mentioned and Bro. Lowe agreed to include these in the motion. Motion passed.

Sister Emma Wahnetah commented on Bro. French's report concerning fellowship among pastors and deacons. She suggested we consider pastors meeting regularly in pastors conference.

The purpose of this would be to develop fellowship and cooperation with each other.

Bro. Jarrett Bradley brought the Evangelism report. (See section of reports).

Bro. J.D. Griffin moved to accept this report and Bro. John Driver seconded, motion passed.

FRIDAY MORNING continued

Bro. Norman West led in song, offering was then taken with approximately $20.10 taken up.

Bro. Dan Lambert brought the morning sermon using John 15 as his text. Bro. Dan commented that no man can preach unless he is led by the Spirit of God and prepared by Him. Heaven is a prepared place. If we live right, we don't have to tell people we are Christians because they will know it. You are important to God and He will use you if you let Him.

Bro. John Standingdeer asked to be excused from the afternoon session. Bro. Leroy Wahnetah moved he be excused, was seconded and passed.

Bro. Jarrett Bradley dismissed in prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Bro. Mason Ledford led in singing a Cherokee Hymn. Bro. Clarence Jackson had opening prayer in Cherokee. Bro. Parris led in further singing in Cherokee.

Bro. Bert Swimmer brought a devotion from 1 Corinthians 3:9. He said we are laborers together. Don't leave it up to the pastor or deacon body. Also, we should not think we are better than others because God loves us all.

Bro. Parris commented on Article XIII of the Constitution. He clarified procedure for withdrawing fellowship from ordained ministers who walk disorderly and contrary. The association will check with the minister's church to see if he is in fellowship there. If not the association will also withdraw fellowship. Bro. Parris commented that

FRIDAY AFTERNOON--continued

tomorrow we should discuss the suggestion by Sister Emma Wahnetah concerning a regular pastors conference.

Bro. Norman West brought the Sunday School report. (See section of reports).

Bro. J.D. Griffin moved to accept this report. Bro. Israel Davis seconded, and it passed.

Bro. Haven Lowe brought the Church Training report in the absence of Everette Crisp. (see section of reports).

Bro. J.D. Griffin commented on the value of Training Union in our personal Christian growth. Bro. Dock Smith commented on Training Union being just as important as family altar. He said if you start Training Union in your church just wait and see how Satan tries to tear it up.

Bro. Frank Taylor moved we approve this report and John Driver seconded. Motion passed.

The obituary report was brought by Bro. Frank Taylor. (see section of reports.) The Moderator explained a point of controversy in this report because two (2) churches had listed Bro. Charles Craig on their church letters as a deceased member. The report brought by Bro. Taylor listed Bro. Craig as a member at Rock Springs but not as a member of Children's Home Chapel, where he was also listed.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON --continued

Bro. Haven Lowe moved we accept the report as handed in on the church letters. Seconded by Bro. Leroy Wahnetah. This means Bro. Craig would appear on both church letters, if the motion passed.

Bro. Isaac Welch interpreted the proceedings in Cherokee before the vote was cast. The motion failed.

A motion was made by Bro. Roy French and seconded by John Driver to accept the obituary report as given by Bro. Frank Taylor, thus removing Bro. Charles Craig from the letter of Children's Home Chapel.

Bro. Lowe stated by passing this motion we will put the association in the position of overruling the action of a local church.

Bro. J.D. Griffin called a point of order, that no discussion was allowed on the previous motion which had failed.

The Moderator yielded to this point of order and allowed Bro. Griffin to discuss this motion. Also discussing were, Bro. Dock Smith, and Bro. John Driver. Sister Ruth Smith was refused permission to speak by the moderator on the grounds that she was not a messenger. The moderator than tabled the motion to be taken up tomorrow during miscelleaneous business.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON continued

Discussion began on campground ministries. Bro. Dan Scott talked about his work at Ramada Camp Inn. Bro. Norman West, Bro. J. Gilbert, and Bro. Leroy Wahnetah discussed. The moderator mentioned that it could possibly prove worthwhile for the association to look into a coordinated campground ministry next summer.

The clerk then read the minutes for the day. After some corrections and additions, a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve these minutes as corrected and read.

We then dismissed with prayer.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Bro. Norman West led in congregational singing. Sister Lucy McLaughlin played the piano.

Bro. Roy French led in prayer.

After more singing, Bro. Dock Smith led in prayer.

Bro. Isaac Welch preached in the absence of Tom Wachacha. His text was II Peter, Chapter 1. He said we need to be ready to help those who need our help. We need to let love motivate us in our actions.

Bro. Parris commented on the message.

Bro. J Gilbert dismissed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING

After the song service, Bro. John David Arch gave a devotion from Phillipians 2:5-8 in the absence of John Crowe. He said we need to find out from God what our purpose in life is. We also need to humble ourselves before God.

SATURDAY MORNING continued

Bro. Norman West led in prayer.

The roll was called by the clerk with 29 messengers answering roll from 10 churches.

Bro. Enoch Owle brought the missionary's report. He read John 4:35. He said we need to realize the fields are white already to harvest. He said we need to set about to work for Jesus. He then translated into Cherokee. (See section of reports).

Bro. Dillard Maney moved to accept and Bro. Parris seconded this report. Motion passed.

Bro. Norman West led in a song and testimonies followed - Bro. Israel Davis, Bro. J.D. Griffin, Bro. Dillard Maney, Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Isaac Welch, Bro. R.L. Carson - teacher from Gardner-Webb Collete - former missionary to West Africa, two Bob Jones University students from Greenville, all of these gave testimonies.

An offering was then taken with $25.35 being taken up.

Bro. Bert Wimmer then led in prayer.

Bro. Parris preached in the absence of Bro. Dewitt Owle. H-is text was Matthew 13:45,46. He said the sinner doesn't seek God, the sinner is dead, God seeks the sinner.
Bro. Mason Ledford led in prayer.
Bro. Isaac Welch then dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Bro. Norman West led in singing. Bro. Frank Taylor then led in afternoon devotion from 1 Corinthians 15:58. He urged us to be steadfast in work of the Lord, to be firm and don't give up. We don't labor in vain.

Bro. John Standingdeer led in prayer. Bro. Parris then thanked all the ladies for the meal and their work at this association meeting.

Business

1. Time and Place - Bro. Israel Davis reported that the next Association meeting would be the Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October at Zion Hill. Bro. Parris translated the report.

2. Election of Missionaries - Bro. Dock Smith reported the committee recommended Bros. Enoch Owle and Isaac Welch as missionaries for the coming year. Bro. Welch interpreted this report.

Bro. J.D. Griffin led in prayer.

Bro. Roy French moved to accept report of missionary committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

3. Treasurer's report - delayed until treasurer Dillard Maney returned to meeting. (See section of reports).

Bro. Parris appointed the following as Camp Meeting Committee; Bro. Dock Smith, Bro. Bert Swimmer, and Bro. Israel Davis. This committee is to make a recommendation at the next Union Meeting for next year's camp Meeting.

Business continued

4. Miscellaneous

Bro. Parris aplogized to Bro. Griffin because he did not get to discuss the motion yesterday concerning the obituary list. Bro. Griffin asked the clerk to show in the minutes that he had accepted the apology.

The motion from yesterday concerning the obituary list was mentioned at this time.

Bro. Griffin asked permission to speak. Bro. Parris pointed out he had spoken twice on the subject and according to the Constitution would need permission of the body to speak.

Bro. Dock Smith moved we allow Bro. Griffin to speak, Bro. Roy French seconded and motion passed.

Bro. Griffin stated that Bro. Charles Craig, the member in question, had intended to make acknowledgement to Rock Springs and get his letter before he died, but he neglected to do so. Bro. Griffin stated that Bro. Craig was in full fellowship with his church and considered a member there.

Bro. Griffin asked if it would be possible to record by his name in the obituary list of Rock Springs a statement saying that at the time of his death he was attending the Children's Home Chapel and in full fellowship there.

The association agreed that this statement would be inclued in the motion.

The motion from the previous day, to accept the obituary report as given by Bro. Frank Taylor, passed. This report lists Bro. Charles Craig on the obituary list of Rock Springs but removes him from the letter of the Children's Home Chapel. It also places the statement by his name concerning his being in fellowship with the children's Home Chapel. (See section of reports)

Saturday afternoon continued

Bro. Dillard Maney gave the Treasurer's Report. (See section of reports)

The moderator then opened discussion on the recommendation to hold preachers and deacons meetings. Bro. Parris asked all deacons and preachers present who are interested in such a meeting to please stand - all present stood.

The budget committee recommended that the budget for the next year be as follows:

Clerk.....$20.00
Missionaries.....$300.00
Misscelleaneous....$ 20.00

Bro. Isaac Welch translated. Bro. J. Gilbert moved we accept the budget committee's report. Bro. Dock Smith seconded and the motion passed.

Bro. Haven Lowe pointed out that we all should know the constitution of our association better. To illustrate he pointed out that we have no historian even though our constitution calls for one. He pointed out that the consitiution calls for election of all officers on first day yet missionaries are elected on last day. The moderator pointed out that this had been changed earlier but was incorrectly left in the constitution. Bro. Lowe lastly pointed out that the constitution does not say you have to be a messenger to hold office or to speak. He said Sister Ruth Smith was not allowed to be relected Clerk or to speak on those grounds yet Bro. Enoch Owle was elected missionary when he was not a messenger either. The moderator stated that Bro. Owle was allowed to be missionary because he was being retained not elected. Bro. Lowe stated that we could better support our moderator

by knowing our Constitution better and it should be our duty to be familiar with it.

Bro. Dock Smith moved that we retain Frank West as trustee for camp meeting grounds for a three (3) year term. This motion was carried. This is to be reported to Mollie Blankenship.

Bro. J. Gilbert Associate Minister at Cherokee Baptist Church, made an announcement of his willingness to help in any church on the Reservation in youth or music programs. He stated that he would like to help start choir programs where there are none and work with young people where the church desires such a program.

Bro. J.D. Griffin asked the moderator and the assembly if his church was still in fellowship with the association following the controversy over method of receiving new members. The moderator stated that his church hadn't been dis-fellowshiped. He also said that he hoped Bro. Griffin's church would discuss the matter. The moderator stated that he and others would be praying for Bro. Griffin's church on this matter. Bro. Griffin stated that his church would be praying for their sister churches also.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read. Additions and corrections were made. Bro. Bert Swimmer moved we accept the corrected minutes, seconded and passed.

Bro. Roy French moved we adjourn. Bro. Griffin seconded and the motion passed.

Bro. John Driver dismissed us with prayer.

SECTION OF REPORTS

Given at the ninety-sixth annual session

of the

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHILD CARE REPORT
Sylvia Walkingstick, Director

This is a mission project of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Sister Walkingstick reported on the following items:

* A special summer class for ages 6-11 gave them something to keep them out of trouble.
* Graduated 14 boys and girls into kindergarten this year.
* A Mother's Day out class was started two mornings per week.
* Cost for a week of Child Care ranged from $2 to $15, set according to income of family.
* Teachers attended a week of conferences at Ridgecrest, N.C., at the Southern Baptist Conference Center there, and learned how to better work with the children.
* Child Care has averaged over children enrolled per month, over 70% of whom are not affiliated with any church.
* Money from the Cooperative Program helps supports this program, so those of you who give to this program help provide a Christian atmosphere for many children who would otherwise not be in one.

Sister Walkingstick invited everyone to come and visit the Child Care Center at any time.

CHURCH TRAINING (TRAINING UNION) REPORT

This report was brought by Haven Lowe, pastor of Cherokee Baptist Church.

CHURCH	TRAINING UNION ENROLL.
Cherokee Baptist	70
Children's Home Chapel	55
Rock Springs	57

EVANGELISM REPORT

Jarrett Bradley brought this report. He reported only 58 baptisms in our Association this year. (See table on Page 29 for breakdown of each church and its baptisms.) He contrasted this with 111 baptisms in 1972.

MESSENGERS TO THE NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

BIG COVE: James Parris, John Standingdeer, Norman West.

BOILING SPRINGS: John D. Arch, Sr., Sarah Owl, Sally Ann Wade, Mary Wade Ball.

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH: Haven Lowe, Jane Lowe, John Wolfe, Leroy Wahnetah, Emma Wahnetah, J Gilbert, Everette Crisp, Marie Maney, Joe Maney, Emily Walkingstick, Howard Sneed, Judy Allison, Boyce Allison, Sue Dills, Beulah Tahquette, Carie Robinson, Dillard Maney, Stacey Saunooke.

CHILDREN'S HOME CHAPEL: J.D. Griffin, Eileene Youngdeer.

MESSENGERS TO NINETY-SIXTH SESSION - continued

ECHOTA: Thomas Lambert, Ollie Jumper, Emory Welch.

LITTLE SNOWBIRD: Margaret Brady, Mason Ledford, Mark Wachacha, Roy French.

ROCK SPRINGS: Dock Smith, Dan Lambert, Frank Taylor, Martha Smith, Russell Smith.

STRAIGHTFORD: Virgil Swimmer.

YELLOW HILL: Israel Davis, Margaret Davis, Lloyd Johnson, David Catt.

ZION HILL: John Driver, Clarence Jackson, Betty Jean Jackson.

MISSIONARY'S REPORT
(since last Union Meeting)

Bro. Enoch Owle brought the following report:
Visits- Waterfalls, 4 Echota, 4
Rock Springs, 1 Cherokee Hospital, 4
Little Snowbird, 1
1 Wedding, and 1 Deacon Ordination

OBITUARY REPORT

Big Cove: Buck West (Deacon), Kina Armachain.

Boiling Springs: Charles Owle

Cherokee Baptist: Minda Sneed, Josephine Ledford, Betty Crowe, Katie Lowe, and Berdie Holland.

Children's Home Baptist Chapel: Vernon Hornbuckle, (Charles Craig was attending here and in full fellowship at the time of his death, but his letter remained at Rock Springs.)

Echota: Tahquette Wallace, Jonah Welch, Lloyd Lambert.

Little Snowbird: Winnie Teesateskie, Susie Long, George Teesateskie, Joe Jumper.

Rock Springs: Robert Bigmeat, Charles Craig(at the time of his death, Bro. Craig was attending the Children's Home Baptist Chapel and was in full fellowship there. However, his letter remained at Rock Springs.)

Straightfork: John Driver, Steve Watty, Henderson Welch.

Yellow Hill: Stacy Thompson, Kina Sequoyah.

Zion Hill: Jack Smoker

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Roy French brought the following report of ordained ministers who are presently serving churches in the Cherokee area.

Bethabara - Deweitte Owle
Big Cove- James Parris
Cherokee Baptist- Haven Love, J. Gilbert
Children's Home Baptist Chapel- J.D. Griffin
Bigwitch- James Sneed
Echota- Thomas Lambert
Macedonia- Hillard Sneed
Rock Springs - Dock Smith and Dan Lambert
Snowbird - Roy French
Yellow Hill- Roland Whitaker
Zion Hill - John Driver

Ordained ministers not serving churches are: John Walkingstick, Able Lossiah, Shepherd Squirrell, Leonard Lambert Robert Christopher, Deweese Bradley, Wayne Hornbuckle, Willie Owle, Fred Roland, Isaac Welch, Enoch Owle, Nick Bradley, Clifford Hornbuckle, Arthur Locust, Goliath Goerge, Sam Queen, Doc Lambert, Joe Bradley, Sam Walkingstick.

Ordained minister serving a local church, but whose own membership is not in that church or any other church in our association:
Harvey Guess.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Bro. Norman West brought the report as listed below. He noted that there are 776 presently enrolled in our Sunday Schools. He said the association had set a goal last year to reach 1000 for this year. He showed how we had fallen short.

CHURCH	S.S.	V.B.S.
Big Cove	103	75
Boiling Springs	12	35
Cherokee Baptist	142	86
Children's Home Chapel	95	87
Echota	40	none
Little Snowbird	30	23
Rock Springs	95	57
Straightfork	110	60
Yellow Hill	59	50
Zion Hill	85	none

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dillard Maney reported that during the Association meeting at total of $401.59 had been taken in.

James Parris reported that in the Camp Meeting Treasury there was a total of $1,451.92 on hand with $4,849.92 being received during the year and $3,652.00 being paid out.

CHURCH	PASTOR	CHURCH CLERK
Big Cove	James Parris	Gladys Parris
Boiling Springs	John D. Arch	Mary Wade Ball
Cherokee Baptist	Haven C. Lowe	Carie Robinson
Children's Home Chapel	J.D. Griffin	Pat Hornbuckle
Echota	Thomas Lambert	Stacey Squirrell
Little Snowbird	Roy French	Caroline Teesateskie
Rock Springs	Dock Smith Dan Lambert	Mary Jane Taylor
Straight Fork	none	Jessie Swimmer
Yellow Hill	Roland Whitaker	Cecelia Miller
Zion Hill	John Driver	Maggie Machacha

MEMBERS	BAPTISMS	LETTERS & STATEMENT	LOST BY LETTER AND DEATH
120	3	8	4 (excl.2)
23	none	1	1
462	12	11	12
115	10	8	8
48	9	5	9
65	12	11	6
150	4	1	4
190	none	1	10
188	2	10	2
144	6	3	3

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NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held With

WATERFALLS BAPTIST CHURCH

October 4, 5, 6, 1979

Cherokee, N.C.

Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Organized 1881

Next Annual Session:

October 2, 3, 4, 1980

Rock Springs Baptist Church

Cherokee, N.C.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. James Parris	Moderator
Bro. Ed Welch	Assistant Moderator
Bro. J Gilbert	Clerk
Bro. Virgil Swimmer	Treasurer

COMMITTEES

Finance:	Bert Swimmer, chairman Frank Taylor Elizabeth Hornbuckle
Time & Place:	Floyd Panther, chairman Stacey Saunooke Cecelia Taylor
Arrangements:	Haven Lowe, chairman Jim Bradley Clydie Mae Rattler

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the association but vote on none.

3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the association.

4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on a motion and second.

5. Every speaker shall rise and address the moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.

6. No speaker shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.

7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the association.

8. The association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. and close at 3:00 P.M.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I....This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II...The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishmenyts of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III..This association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless, excused by the body.

ARTICLE IV...The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment; also a statement of funds raised for pastor's salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each annual session to pay the expenses of the association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for two years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the association.

ARTICLE V....The officers of the association shall be moderator, assistant moderator, interpreter, clerk, treasurer, historian and missionary.

CONSTITUTION (cont.)

ARTICLE VI....It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject of discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII...It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII..Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers.

ARTICLE IX....The association may invite visiting brethern to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE X.....The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as the association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XI....All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes should be sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

ARTICLE XII...We will receive no ministers into this association but those who have a good, moral character. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionary.
5. Denomination sermon.
6. Hear report of committees.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

Ninety-Ninth Annual Session
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Waterfalls Baptist Church
October 4, 5, and 6, 1979

Thursday, October 4th

The service was opened by Norman West who le in singing. Bo Parris brought the devotion from Ephesians 3:21. Haven Lowe led in opening praye

The moderator, Bo Parris, announced that an arrangements committee would arrange the program for the meeting after today. He then appointed Ed Welch to bring the afternoon devotional. The moderator then read the Rules of Decorum and the Order of Business from the minutes.

John Driver moved that we read the letters f the churches. Ed Welch seconded it and it passe

Clerk J Gilbert read the letters from 8 chur Ed Welch moved we accept the letters as read and seat the messengers. John Driver seconded the motion and it passed.

The clerk then called the roll with 17 messe gers from 6 churches answering roll.

Frank Taylor moved that we elect officers. John Driver seconded it and the motion passed. moderator opened the floor for nominations for moderator. Frank Taylor nominated Bo Parris. J Bradley moved that the nominations cease. Ed Welch seconded it and the motion passed. Bo Pa was elected moderator.

Nominations for assistant moderator were the asked for. Jim Bradley nominated Haven Lowe. Emily West nominated Ed Welch. Ed Welch was elected. Frank Taylor moved that the assistant moderator also serve as interpreter. Norman West seconded the motion and it Passed.

John Driver moved we retain J Gilbert as Cle

Frank Taylor seconded the motion and it passed.

Proceedings (continued)

Frank Taylor moved we retain Bert Swimmer as Treasurer. Jim Bradley seconded the motion and it passed.

Frank Taylor nominated Gladys Parris as Historian. Clydie Mae Rattler nominated Emily West as Historian. John Driver moved the nominations cease. This motion passed. After a tie vote, Haven Lowe moved that both ladies serve as Historian. This was seconded by Jim Bradley and passed.

The moderator, Bo Parris, asked for a motion to allow the association's executive committee, elected by member churches, to act for the association between meetings. Haven Lowe made this motion, seconded by Norman West and passed by the messengers.

The floor was then opened for election of the associational missionaries. It was noted that we wanted to elect two missionaries. Bo Parris moved we retain Norman West as missionary. John Driver seconded it and it passed.

After receiving no other nominations a motion was made by Bo Parris to defer election of the second missionary to Saturday afternoon. This was seconded by John Driver and passed.

Bo Parris appointed the following committees:

Finance report Saturday	Arrangements this afternoon
Bert Swimmer, Chrmn.	Haven Lowe, Chrmn.
Frank Taylor	Jim Bradley
Elizabeth Hornbuckle	Clydie Mae Rattler

Time and Place report Saturday
Floyd Panther, Chrmn.
Stacey Saunooke, Cecelia Taylor

Bo Parris then appointed the following people to bring reports, starting this afternoon: SS-Floyd Panther, TU-Jim Bradley, VBS-J Gilbert, Evangelism-Norman West, Ordained Ministers-John Driver, Obit.-Katie Davis, Temperance-Ed Welch.

Norman West then led in singing while an offering of $15.45 was taken.

John Driver, pastor of the host church, gave the morning sermon from Revelation 2:9: "God knows our works."

Following the sermon a song was sung and Harvey Smith from Trinity Baptist Church in Asheville led in prayer. We then dismissed to lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, October 4th.

Following the lunch, Bo Parris led in singing. Then Norman West led in a song. Ed Welch brought the afternoon devotional from Romans 12. He said we ought to present ourselves and our bodies as living sacrivices to God in order to be a more effective witness for Him.

Clerk J Gilbert called the roll with 17 messengers from 6 churches answering.

Haven Lowe, chairman of the arrangements committee gave a report naming the preachers and speakers for the remainder of the 1979 Associational meeting. Norman West moved we accept the report. John Driver seconded it and it passed.

Floyd Panther then brought the Sunday School Report. (See Section of Reports, page 23). He read Proverbs 22:6 and said we dropped some from last year.

J Gilbert gave the Vacation Bible School report (See Section of Reports, page 25). He told of summer workers who worked in many Backyard Bible Clubs during the summer. Overall the number of churches having VBS was down from last year. Emily West reported Bible Clubs at Straightfork.

Jim Bradley brought the Training Union Report. (See Section of Reports, page 24).

Ed Welch brought the Temperance Report. He read from 1 Peter 4. He said we Christians need to have self-control in all things.

Bo Parris mentioned the subject of dog-racing on the Reservation. He asked that the association write a letter to Chief Crowe and the Tribal Council concerning our feelings on dog-racing by Saturday afternoon. Frank Taylor moved we do this and John Driver seconded it. The motion passed. Haven Lowe asked if we could add the matter of legalization of alcohol to the letter. Frank Taylor and John Driver agreed to include that in the motion. Those commenting on the matter were: Norman West, Bo Parris, Haven Lowe, and Ed Welch. After the motion passed the moderator asked the clerk to be responsible for writing a rough draft of this letter.

Norman West moved we accept the preceeding reports as given. Frank Taylor seconded it and it passed.

Norman West asked that the letter on dog-racing be also sent to the Cherokee One Feather. It was agreed to do this.

Clerk J Gilbert then read the minutes of the day's proceedings. Norman West moved we accept the minutes as read. Frank Taylor seconded it and it passed.

A song was sung, and a fellowship handshake was given to all.

Rev. Sanders McLemore, visiting Baptist Cherokee pastor from Oklahoma, led in closing prayer.

THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 4TH

Norman West, the associational missionary, brought the evening message.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 5th

Norman West began the meeting by leading in singing. Ed Welch, the assistant moderator, presided at this session.

John D. Arch, Sr., led in the opening prayer. Frank Taylor brought the devotional from Malachi 3:7-10. He stressed the importance of tithing. He said we should give the tithe first and trust the Lord for our needs.

Clerk J Gilbert called the roll with 14 messengers from 7 churches answering roll.

Norman West reported that his wife, Emily, had to be taken to the hospital during the night. Bo Parris moved we excuse her due to illness. The motion passed.

The following visitors introduced themselves: Calvin Knight, representative of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital. Coy Privette, representative of the North Carolina Christian Action League, and Jim Saul, representative of the North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging.

A song was then sung and an offering of $20.13 was taken.

Ed Welch then allowed the visitors 10 minutes each to speak.

Coy Privette spoke on the work of the Christian Action League, especially on their fight against liquor.

Calvin Knight spoke on the work of the Baptist Hospital. He said we should minister, as Jesus did, to the whole person. He told of the specialized medicine that Baptist Hospital was now practicing.

Jim Saul spoke on the work of Baptist Homes for the Aging. He told of the new home at Ashville and the ministry there to the elderly. He quoted John 10:10 and John 17 saying the homes strived to let Christ's message show through their work.

Norman West then lead in a song. Following the song Bo Parris brought the morning sermon. His text was Luke 16. The chapter was read in English by Bo and then in Cherokee by Sanders McLemore from Oklahoma. His message was on the rich man and Lazarus.

Ed Welch led in closing prayer, and we were dismissed to lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, October 5th

Ed Welch presided at the afternoon session. The session began with a song led by Norman West. Bert Swimmer led in prayer.

Floyd Panther brought the devotional from II Timothy 4 and Titus 2, saying that we should try to live our lives as God tells us to in His Word.

Ed Welch recognized the clerk who called roll with 17 messengers answering roll from 7 churches.

Cecelia Taylor asked to be excused from tomorrow's meeting. Bo Parris moved she be excused. The motion was seconded and passed.

The following reports were given:

Obituary, by Katie Davis (See Section of Reports, page 22) She read Deuteronomy 29:29 and a poem on death. She also shared the testimony of the death of her Christian mother. She requested we sing "In the Sweet Bye and Bye", which we did to close her report. Following this report, Clerk J Gilbert raised the question of whether to include those deaths from churches not sending letters to the meeting, and also whether to include ordained ministers from those churches. Bo Parris moved we take only the names for the obituary list and ordained ministers list from those on church letters sent to the Association Meeting. John Driver seconded it and the motion passed.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, October 5th

EVANGELISM REPORT (See Section of Reports, page20). Norman West brought this report, reading from Matthew 9:35-37. He commented that the harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few. He suggested that people weren't at the association meeting because we haven't tried to bring them in. He said fewer baptisms were reported this year than last.

ORDAINED MINISTERS REPORT (See Section of Reports, page 23). John Driver brought this report. After reading of some names and discussion it was pointed out that we voted to list only those ministers names sent in on the church letters.

The public conduct of several preachers was then discussed. Non-church attendance of another was discussed. Those mentioned as having been guilty of public misconduct as testified to by witnesses were: Deweese Bradley, Goliath George, and Shepherd Squirrel. It was mentioned that Ed Sharpe was not thought to be attending anywhere. John David Arch moved we not recognize these four men until we find out from their local church if they are in fellowship there. John Driver seconded the motion which passed. Frank Taylor moved we accept the preceeding reports as given. John D. Arch seconded the motion which passed.

The moderator then gave the items of business which needed to be acted on Saturday, and then asked the group for other items. The items given were: Trustee election, camp meeting dates and speaker, letter to Council on dog-racing, time and place report, finance report, and election of second missionary.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, October 5th

The moderator then opened discussion on the subject of church discipline. Those discussing were: Bo Parris, Jim Bradley, John D. Arch, Norman West, Clydie Mae Rattler, and Cecelia Taylor. IIThessalonians 3:6 was used as the basis of instruction for withdrawing fellowship for those walking disorderly.

Following this discussion John D. Arch moved that the clerk read the minutes. This was seconded by John Driver and passed. The clerk then read the minutes. John D. Arch moved that we accept the minutes as read. Frank Taylor seconded the motion and it was passed.

The moderator thanked the ladies for another good lunch. A fellowship song was sung and Bo Parris dismissed with prayer.

FRIDAY NIGHT, October 5th

Harvey Smith, from Trinity Baptist Church in Asheville, NC, brought the evening message.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 6th

Bo Parris presided at this session. Norman West led in singing. JGilbert led in opening prayer.

Bert Swimmer brought the morning devotion. He used Jeremiah 3:14 as his text. He spoke on backsliding. When we get away from God we lose rewards. Backsliding has its price. He then closed with prayer.

Clerk J Gilbert then called the roll with 15 messengers from 7 churches answering roll. A song was sung and an offering of $15.23 was taken. Another song was sung and Psalm 107:1 was read.

Testimonies were given by: Emily West, Floyd Panther, Clydie Mae Rattler, Frank Taylor, Katie Davis, Ed Welch, Judy Welch, and J Gilbert.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 6th

Norman West then led in prayer. Sanders McLemore then brought the morning message from I Kings 17:7-14. Following the sermon a song was sung, and a love offering for Bro. McLemore was taken. $22.20 was the amount received. We then dismissed to lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, October 6th

The afternoon session began with a song. Then Bro. and Mrs. McLemore sang 2 songs in Cherokee. Following this we sang a song and gave the McLemores the right hand of fellowship.

Jim Bradley brought the devotional from IITimothy 2:15. He said we need to study to please God. Our teachers need to teach what the Lord would have us to teach.

John Driver led in prayer. Clerk J Gilbert called the roll with 16 messengers answering roll from 7 churches.

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE chairman Floyd Panther reported that the next annual association meeting would be on October 2,3, and 4, at Rock Springs Baptist Church.

TREASURER AND FINANCE COMMITTEE chairman Bert Swimmer brought the following report:

$90.00	received with church letters
15.45	offering on 10-4-79
20.13	offering on 10-5-79
15.23	offering on 10-6-79
140.81	total received

$320.40	Camp Meeting Income
100.00	Donations received
200.00	paid camp meeting preacher
592.75	paid associational missionary
1816.76	Assoc. expenses including camp meeting
43.53	clerk and supplies for minutes

1980 Budget

Missionaries	$100.00	(each)
Clerk	20.00	
Miscellaneous	20.00	
	$240.00	

Frank Taylor moved we accept the preceeding reports and the 1980 Budget. John D. Arch seconded the motion which passed.

Because of the financial situation of the association, the moderator asked messengers to ask their churches to send $25 extra this month to help cover expenses.

The clerk then read a letter concerning dog-racing and legalization of alcohol on the Reservation. (See Section of Reports, page 21)

Frank Taylor moved we send this letter to the Chief, the Council Chairman, and the Cherokee One Feather, and have it signed by the associational officers. John D. Arch, Sr., seconded this motion which passed.

The subject of recommendations for preacher for camp meeting was brought to the floor. No names were suggested, so the moderator asked Norman West, Jim Bradley, and John D. Arch, Sr. to present a couple of names to an executive committee later this month.

It was reported that Bert Swimmer's term is ending as trustee for camp meeting. John D. Arch, Sr., moved we retain Bert as Trustee. Frank Taylor seconded this motion which passed.

The moderator then opened the floor for discussion of the election of another missionary. Emily West nominated Bo Parris. Bert Swimmer moved the nominations cease. The motion was seconded by John D. Arch, Sr., and passed.

MISSIONARY REPORT Norman West brought this report, reading from Matthew 14: 28-30. He spoke on how we need more faith, we need to step out on faith more.

The treasurer, Bert Swimmer, raised the question of the churches being asked to send $10 per month for the missionary. He said since we now have two missionaries, churches should send $20 per month. After discussion, it was noted that the churches should be urged to give whatever they can.

John Driver then gave a testimony about faith and giving.

Norman West moved that the minutes be read. John D. Arch, Sr., seconded the motion which passed.

Clerk J Gilbert read the minutes. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes as read.

John Driver moved we adjourn. John D. Arch seconded the motion, which passed.

A song was sung, and fellowship handshake given. Ed Welch dismissed with prayer.

SECTION OF REPORTS

Given at the Ninety-Ninth Annual Session

of the

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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CHURCH	PASTOR	MEMBERS
BIG COVE	James "Bo" Parris P. O. Box 1 Cherokee	91
BOILING SPRINGS	John D. Arch, Sr. P. O. Box 83 Cherokee	25
CHEROKEE BAPTIST	Haven C. Lowe P. O. Box 742 Cherokee	470
ECHOTA	Thomas Lambert Rt. 1 Box 51-A Cherokee	28
ROCK SPRINGS	Dock Smith Cherokee	169
STRAIGHTFORK	Isaac Welch Cherokee	139
WATERFALLS	John Driver P.O.Box 24 Cherokee	30
YELLOWHILL	Roland Whitaker Rt. 5 Asheville,	182

BAP-TISMS	LETTERS & STATEMENTS	LOST	CHURCH CLERK
2	3	11 letters 1 death 30 excluded	Gladys W. Parris Box 1 Cherokee
0	5	0	Mary Ann Ball Whittier
7	11	6 letters	Alene Youngdeer Rt. 1 Box 701 Bryson, City
0	0	0	George Taylor Rt. 1 Box 38 Whittier
12	3	2 letters 4 death	Betty Tahquette Cherokee
2	5	5 letters 3 death 63 excluded	Maidena Panther Box 889 Cherokee
0	0	2 letters	Nellie Driver Box 24 Cherokee
1	0	4 letters 1 death	Cecelia Miller Star Rt. Box 2 Cherokee

CAMP MEETING

TRUSTEES:	TERM ENDS
Virgil Swimmer	Fall '82
John D. Arch, Sr.	Fall '81
Frank Taylor	Fall '80

$320.40 Camp Meeting income
100.00 Donation received
200.00 paid camp meeting preacher

Ralph Sexton, Sr. preached the 1979 meeting.

EVANGELISM REPORT

Norman West brought this report. There were 24 baptisms reported this, compared to 39 for 1978, and 37 for 1977.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

BIG COVE	James Parris
	Wilbur Sequoyah
BOILING SPRINGS	John D. Arch, Sr.
CHEROKEE BAPTIST	Haven C. Lowe
ECHOTA	Thomas Lambert
	George Taylor
ROCK SPRINGS	Dock Smith
	Frank Taylor
STRAIGHTFORK	Isaac Welch
	Virgil Swimmer
	Norman West
WATERFALLS	John Driver
	Ed Welch
YELLOWHILL	Roland Whitaker
	Israel Davis

LETTER ON DOG RACING AND ALCOHOL ON RESERVATION

The following letter was approved by the Association in meeting on October 6, 1979. It was sent to Chief John Crowe, Tribal Council Chairman Dan McCoy, and the Cherokee One Feather, where it appeared on October 16, 1979.

Dear Sir:

We the representatives of the churches belonging to the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association, want the Chief and Tribal Council members to know our strong feelings about the matters of dog racing, and legalization of the sale of alcohol on the Qualla Boundry. We strongly oppose both of these propositions on Biblical and moral grounds. We feel that passage of either of these matters would only benefit a few financially and would be detrimental to most Indian men women and children.

We believe that people who are truly concerned with the welfare of the Cherokee people will understand that more dollars and cents will solve very few of our problems and increased alcoholism and gambling addiction will only cause the eventual ruin of the Cherokee people.

We promise the Chief and Tribal Council that if either of these matters is brought before the Council or the people, we will spare no energy or resources to see that it is defeated soundly.

Sincerely,

Bo Parris, Moderator — Virgil Swimmer, Treas.
Ed Welch, Assist. Moderator — J Gilbert, Clerk
Norman West, Missionary

LICENSED MINISTERS IN THE ASSOCIATION

John David Arch, Sr. — Norman West

MESSENGERS TO THE NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

BIG COVE:	James M. Parris, Gladys Parris, Katie Davis
BOILING SPRINGS:	John D. Arch, Sr.
CHEROKEE BAPTIST:	J Gilbert, Stacey Saunooke, Jane Lowe, Haven Lowe, Cinda Taylor
ECHOTA:	Thomas Lambert, George Taylor
ROCK SPRINGS:	Frank Taylor, Jim Bradley, Clyde Mae Rattler, Cecelia Taylor
STRAIGHTFORK:	Isaac Welch, Judy Welch, Norman West, Emily West, Virgil Swimmer, Amanda Swimmer
WATERFALLS:	John Driver, Ed Welch
YELLOWHILL:	Elizabeth Hornbuckle

MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Missionary Norman West gave his report at the Union Meeting, just one week prior to the Associational Meeting and therefore had no additional statistics to offer.

OBITUARY REPORT

Katie Davis brought the following report:
BIG COVE: Laura Jane Hill
ROCK SPRINGS: Henson Rattler, Helen Vernon, Simon Littlejohn, Mike Wolfe

OBITUARY REPORT (cont.)

STRAIGHTFORK:	Mary Wolfe, James Bradley, Russell Tooni
WATERFALLS:	none
YELLOWHILL:	Callie Arch

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

John Driver brought the following report:

BIG COVE:	James Parris
	Bennie Souther, Sr.
BOILING SPRINGS:	none
CHEROKEE BAPTIST:	Haven C. Lowe
	J. D. Griffin
	J Gilbert
ECHOTA:	Thomas Lambert
ROCK SPRINGS:	Dock Smith
	Dan Lambert
STRAIGHTFORK:	Isaac Welch
WATERFALLS:	Johnnie Driver
YELLOWHILL:	Roland Whitaker
	Moody Reid
	Ray Dover

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Floyd Panther brought the following report

CHURCH	1978	1979
BIG COVE	104	90
BOILING SPRINGS	20	23
CHEROKEE BAPTIST	127	132
ECHOTA	no report	8
ROCK SPRINGS	95	95
STRAIGHTFORK	54	102
WATERFALLS	20	16
YELLOWHILL	60	42

TRAINING UNION REPORT

Jim Bradley brought this report:

CHEROKEE BAPTIST	39 enrollment
ROCK SPRINGS	57 enrollment

TREASURER'S REPORT
(Finance Committee)

Treasurer Virgil Swimmer brought the following report:

$ 90.00	received with letters from churches
15.45	offering 10-4
20.13	offering 10-5
15.23	offering 10-6
$140.81	total income from meeting

$320.40	camp meeting income
100.00	donation for camp meeting
200.00	paid camp meeting preacher
592.75	paid associational missionary
1816.76	associational
43.53	supplies for minutes and clerk salary

1980 BUDGET

$100	to each missionary
20	to clerk
20	miscellaneous
$ 240	total

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

This report brought by J Gilbert:

	1978	1979
BIG COVE	66	70
BOILING SPRINGS	28	0
CHEROKEE BAPTIST	50	51
ECHOTA	0	0
ROCK SPRINGS	60	85
STRAIGHTFORK	65	74
WATERFALLS	32	0
YELLOWHILL	44	34

J gave a report of a Bible School Clinic for workers which was held at Rock Springs in May. 57 people from 7 churches attended. He said another clinic would be held next year.

He also reported that 2 summer missionaries from the Baptist State Convention worked in Cherokee this year holding Backyard Bible Clubs in several communities on the Reservation. Emily West reported on a Bible Club held at Straightfork each week, saying that there was good attendance.

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